THE WEATHER.

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STRIKE REMAINS ABOUT THE SAME

Both Sides Claim That They Are Gaining Some Grounds.

IMPORTING STRIKES BREAKER

Trouble May be Brewing in St. Paul —Extra Detail of Police—The Movement of Traffic—Notes. Situation.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—Chief John J. O'Connor, of the Police Department, practically admitted that as the result of the conferences with railroad officials, he considered the strike situation serious today when he issuel orders requiring all members of his day force to stay on duty at Central station until 10:30 in the evening.

The order goes into effect tonight and will continue until all danger of a clash between the strikers and the strike-breakers is ended.

According to the railroad officials, the beginning of the end of the switchmen's strike is in sight. One prominent official who has been active in waging the strike said tonight that the roads were handling 30 per cent of all business offered.

"In a week," this official said, "the public will not know that there is a strike on among the switchmen."

Between 200 and 300 men arrived today from Chicago and were distributed about St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, to take the place of the switchmen.

According to a statement issued by Third Vice President G. T. Slade, of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, two coal trains were moving today between Duluth and St. Paul and four trains of grain and miscellaneous freight were moved into Duluth from the West. Way freight service, he said, had been re-established on practically all lines.

Certain St. Paul wholesale grocers reported today that shipping conditions were somewhat improved while coal dealers and produce men said that conditions were unchanged.

As against the optimistic statements of the railroad managers the strike leaders say they are in a stronger position today than they have been since the strike started.

Factory forces are being reduced owing to the shortage of supplies caused by the freight tie up and the two big shops of the Great Northern railroad in St. Paul employing 1,000 men failed to open for business today.

All but one of the 13 big flour mills in Minneapolis are idle. Imported strike-breakers wearing special police badges were reported on duty at the Union station yards today by strike pickets and when President Hawley learned that these men had been imported he called the attention of the State labor commissioner to the report.

Labor Commissioner McEwen is investigating the report and said that if he finds that non-residents of Minnesota are wearing special police badges he will at once order their arrests as well as those who brought them here if they appear liable under the law.

Mayor Lawler, who is an attorney, has been retained by the switchmen as legal counsel for the switchmen, addressed a mass meeting of the switchmen in Minneapolis last night. He said:

"Some of the newspapers give you the employer's side only and state that the railroad managers were not notified until too late of the contemplated action of the switchmen; but they knew to a man that the strike order was issued and that they made no offer of a settlement to avert the impending trouble."

Continuing he said that the railroad officials had the effrontery to claim that this strike was a complete surprise to them in spite of the fact that it had been declared a week.

"If they didn't know that," he said, "they were not such great railroad managers as they are supposed to be." He reminded the men to remember that they are engaged in a life and death struggle with victory but a few days away.

THE COLER CHARGES.

Governor Hughes Declines to Entertain Them So Late.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 2.—Governor Hughes today declined to entertain the charges preferred against Bird S. Coler, president of the Borough of Brooklyn, by the Commissioners of Accounts of New York City, who, in making the allegations, asked the Governor to remove Mr. Coler from office. Governor Hughes' refusal to entertain the charges was on the ground that they were presented too late to permit of their proper consideration, as Mr. Coler's term expires December 31st.

"In competency, mal-administration and misconduct in office,, and serious waste of the public funds, were the accusations in the report of the commissioners."

AFFAIRS AT THE STATE CAPITAL

Boys' Clubs to be Formed Over the State—Several Charters Granted. Contract Let for Municipal Building—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 2.—Definite steps toward the formation of Young People's Farm Life Clubs in North Carolina are being taken by the State Department of Education, co-operating with the North Carolina A. & M. College and the State and National departments of agriculture. Just now detailed instructions for the formation and work of these clubs are being sent out to county superintendents of public instruction with aditional supplies of the pamphlets to put them in the hands of every public school teacher and many of the leading patrons of the various district schools.

The active field work for the furtherance of this work throughout the State will be by Prof. I. O. Schaub, detailed for work of this character and located at the A. & M. College. The county superintendents and public school teachers generally are directed by State Superintendent Joyner to co-operate fully and proceed to arouse the interest of the people in the movement.

The Boys' Clubs will engage in farm contests, especially the cultivation of corn, each member being enrolled with the department at Washington and receiving therefrom detailed instructions for the work he has undertaken. The State manager, Prof. Schaub, and his assistants, will visit these boys as far as possible and offer suggestions for the betterment of their efforts in the culture of whatever crops they undertake.

The State Board of Agriculture devoted considerable time today to hearing delegations of citizens here from Granville, Person and Caswell counties, each striving to induce the board to locate the proposed tobacco test farm for the culture of bright tobaccos in their respective counties. The climatic, soil and other advantages including the matter of desirability of location in the bright tobacco belt of the State came in for thorough review. The board will not take definite action, probably for some days yet.

Charters were issued today for four new corporations: The Franklin Light & Power Co., Franklin, Macon county, capital $50,000 for general electric lighting and power business, H. A. Cozad and others, incorporators; The Tolson Lumber & Manufacturing Co., Newbern, capital $5,000 by L. C. Tolson and others; The Middleton (Hyde county) Supply Co., capital $10,000 by J. S. Mann and others for mercantile business; The Mt. Pleasant Auto Transfer Co., of Mt. Pleasant, Cabarrus county, by G. F. McAllister and others.

The contract for the erection of the new municipal and auditorium building of Raleigh, was awarded today to John A. Carter & Co., of Philadelphia, the bid being $96,100, construction to require about eight months. It will have 3,700 opera chairs and other seating space to make the capacity 5,000.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Sessions Begin at Goldsboro With Preliminary Meetings.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 2.—The North Carolina Library Association began its fifth annual meeting in this city today, in the rooms of the Goldsboro Woman's Club as the guest of the Goldsboro Public Library.

The delegates are all here and were given a royal reception in the Woman's Club room this afternoon at 4 o'clock after which the minutes of last meeting were read and approved and reports given from the secretary and treasurer, and following their report was the announcement of committees. The association then adjourned until 9 o'clock tonight when it was again in session with the address of welcome delivered by Col. Jos. E. Robinson, who was followed in a response by Mr. J. P. Breedlove, of Trinity College. Following him was an address by Prof. W. C. Jackson, of the State Normal and Industrial College, of Greensboro.

The officers of the Association are: Miss Annie F. Petty, president, Greensboro; Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, first vice president, Winston-Salem; Mr. Ernest Cruickshank, second vice president, Raleigh; Mr. L. R. Wilson, secretary, Chapel Hill; Mr. J. F. Wilkes, treasurer, Charlotte.

The Association was formed in May, 1904, to meet a growing demand among the State Library workers for mutual help and to aid the State's educational leaders in their endeavor to call forth and intensify a fine library spirit.

Although the Association is one of the most recent organizations of the State, it has accomplished much in the way of helpful constructive library development. It has constantly emphasized for five years the inestimable value of the library as an educator and has greatly aided the individuals who sought help at its hands.

Goldsboro feels greatly honored at having an opportunity of entertaining such an instructive and beneficial enterprise as is the North Carolina Library Association.

By defeating Albert G. Cutler, of Boston, yesterday in New York in the last regular scheduled game of the International Billiard Championship, George F. Slosson, of New York, won fourth place which entitles him to ten per cent. of the cash prize.

GREAT STRUGGLE IN PARLIAMENT

Opposing Forces of Lords and Commons in Battle Array.

CONTROL OF NATION'S PURSE

Claimed by the House of Commons in England—Held a Brief and Exciting Session—Balfour's Speech.

London, Dec. 2.—By a majority of 15 after a brief but exciting sitting, the House of Commons today recorded its claim to exclusive control of the Nation's purse—a claim never before challenged in modern times.

The vote was taken on a resolution offered by Premier Asquith, which declared that that action of the House of Lords in refusing to pass into the law the financial provision made by the chamber for the expenses of the year was a breach of the constitution and a usurpation of the rights of the House of Commons, and the resolution was passed by a vote of 349 to 134.

By this vote the opposing forces of the Lords and Commons are placed in battle array for one of the greatest constitutional struggles that has come before the country's judgment for centuries.

The scenes of enthusiasm which accompanied the voting on Mr. Asquith's resolution were in marked contrast to those witnessed during the recent debate in the House of Lords. No prominent members from the government side arose in the House of Commons utter solemn warnings against the course the ministers were pursuing. The ministerial ranks were closed in a complete unanimity of protest against the action of the upper house.

Mr. Balfour, leader of the opposition, evidently was suffering from the effects of his indisposition, and did not speak at his best. His speech lacked the ring of sincerity and conviction which characterized the prime ministers. The latter had an easy task in pouring ridicule upon what he described, amid the rousing and encouraging cheers of his supporters as a "new fangled Caesarism" this "arrogant usurpation" of the House of Lords.

The Premier's ironical reference to the "instinct of divination" of the Peers on reaching manhood dissolved his hearers in laughter. He quoted with trenchant effect the speech of Mr. Balfour less than a year ago in which the premier described himself as a "House of Commons man" and said: "It is the House of Commons, not the House of Lords which settles uncontrolled our financial system. If the House of Lords could touch the money bills the whole executive machinery of the country would be brought to a standstill."

The amusement with which the liberals listened to these quotations from Balfour against himself was only equalled by the chagrin depicted on the faces of Mr. Balfour's followers. Altogether Mr. Asquith surpassed himself and his elated followers declared that he never made a finer or more effective speech.

Mr. Henderson's speech for the labor party also has given the liberals great encouragement for the coming campaign, as showing that the whole party is of one mind.

All the preliminaries to the great political battle were cleared away late today at Sandringham where the King neld a meeting with the privy council during which he signed an order proroguing parliament until January 17, 1910.

UNIVERSITY DRAMATICS.

Successful Production at Chapel Hill by the Club.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 2.—Last night at 8:30 o'clock in Gerard Hall, the University Dramatic Club gave a most pleasant presentation of Garcia de la Vega's "The Indian". The scene of the play is laid in Madrid, and the students naturally had to portray Spanish characters which they did with much success. The cast was: J. M. Reaves, the Marchioness; J. J. McAden, Tola, her daughter; L. N. Taylor, the Marquis; C. W. Gunter, the son of the Marquis; Stowe Crouse, the lover; Odom Alexander, the servant; I. Harding Hughes, the Indian.

The whole cast did excellent work and earned the frequent applause given them by the audience. Mr. A. Vermont trained the club this year and his experience in this line was shown by the performance last night.

Last year the club presented "The Hero of Gridiron" and made a great hit in that play. The presentation this year is equally good and speaks well for the talent here in the University.

FIRE AT OCEAN VIEW

Norfolk's "Coney Island" Visited by Dstructive Blaze.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 2.—Four summer hotels and several smaller structures at Ocean View, Norfolk's "Coney Island" were destroyed by fire this morning. oss is $50,000.

MORGAN BUYS RYAN'S STOCK

Assumes Control of Equitable Life Assurance Society—Another Chapter to History of Finance. Assets.

New York, Dec. 2.—Control of the Equitable Life Assurance Society which was secured by Thomas F. Ryan soon after the insurance scandals of some years ago, has passed to J. Pierpont Morgan with the $472,000,000 of assets which the company delared in its last statement.

The transfer, apart from its magnitude as a chapter in the history of finance, marks a complete reversal of the old order under which the insurance companies controlled the destinies of the banks and trust companies.

News of the transfer was contained in the following brief statement issued from the offices of Morgan & Co.:

"Mr. Morgan has bought the majority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society formerly owned by Thomas F. Ryan. This purchase is subject to the trust under which Grover Cleveland, Morgan J. O'Brien and George Westinghouse were made voting trustees for the benefit of policy holders, and it covers all Mr. Ryan's interest, including all the stock purchased by him from James H. Hyde."

The exact amount of the stock bought by Mr. Morgan and his partners, and the price they paid remain for subsequent announcement. Nor would they name any other interests allied with them, although it is commonly understood in Wall street that at least one large trust company may take a hand in the deal if the consent of the Equitable is obtained. Under the terms of the trust agreement referred to in Mr. Morgan's announcement the Ryan stock could not be sold without the consent of the surviving trustees, whose term of power held until June 15th next, and who might continue the agreement for another five years if they saw fit.

Mr. Ryan's holdings in the Equitable were bought, in large part from James P. Hyde, although Edward H. Harriman had laid plans which as he supposed, were to assure him the control which went instead to Mr. Ryan. It was during the hearings of the Armstrong insurance investigation that Mr. Harriman, when questioned on this point coined what subsequently became a national by-word. He was asked if he had settled scores with Mr. Ryan and answered tersely "not yet". The public added with ready intuition "but soon."

At the offices of the Equitable Society President Paul Morton professed ignorance of the transfer.

It is known, however, that the directors of the society and the principals to the deal were in conference yesterday and until late today and there is authority for the statement that the transfer met with their approval.

FIRE IN FAYETTEVILLE.

Residence of Mr. C. L. Ingold Badly Damaged Yesterday.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 2.—The Observer this afternoon says:

"At 9:45 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the upper stories of the handsome residence of Mr. C. L. Ingold on Dick street, and but for the work of the Fire Department, and the colored hook and ladder team, the structure would have been totally destroyed. The fire started in a bed-room closet adjoining a chimney, and made its way to the attic, where it proved most stubborn. The loss is hard to estimate at this hour, but is probably between $1,500 and $2,000."

CLYDE STEAMSHIP LINE

Arthur W. Pye Appointed General Passenger Agent Yesterday.

New York, Dec. 2.—Arthur W. Pye, for the past two years general passenger agent of the Mallory Steamship Line was today appointed general passenger agent of the Clyde Steamship Line. As both companies are under the same management he assumes control of the passenger departments of both lines.

OUTLINES.

As an aftermath of the action of the State Department Wednesday in regard to the Nicaraguan revolution, 700 marines were ordered to the Canal Zone on the cruiser Prairie yesterday. American battleships are advancing on both coasts of Central America to protect American interests——There was no change in the switchmen's strike in the Northwest yesterday and traffic remains blocked throughout the grain country——The action of the House of Commons yesterday in recording its claim to exclusive control of the nation's purse, brings about the greatest constitutional struggle in centuries in England ——The championship fight between James Jefferies and Jack Johnson will be held in San Francisco. The bid of Gleason and Richard for $101,000 was accepted——N. S. Meldrum was elected president of the Seaboard Air Line at a meeting of the directors yesterday.

New York markets: Money on call strong 4 1-2 to 5 1-2 ruling rate 5, closing bid 5 1-4, offered at 5 1-2; cotton spot closed quiet 5 points higher, middling uplands 14.70, middling gulf 14.95; flour slow at unchanged prices; wheat spot firm, No. 2 red 1.25 nominal, domestic elevator; No. 2 red 1.24 1-2 nominal f. o. b., afloat; corn easy, No. 2, 72 asked elevator domestic 72 1-2 nominal delivered, No. 2, 66 1-2 nominal f. o. b. afloat; oats spot steady, mixed 26 to 32 pounds nominal; turpentine and rosin quiet.

CHAMPIONS WILL MEET IN 'FRISCO

Place and Bid For Jeffries-Johnson Battle Settled.

$101,000 PRICE ACCEPTED

Rickard and Gleason Will Stage the Mill—Wrangle Among the Bidders in New York—Sullivan May be Referee.

New York, Dec. 2.—The fight for the heavy-weight championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson will be held in California, in the vicinity of San Francisco on July 4th, 1910, and will be staged by "Tex" Rickard, of Nevada, and John J. Gleason, of San Francisco.

Their bid of $101,000 and two-thirds of the moving picture privilege to the contestants was formally accepted during a stormy meeting at Hoboken N. J., late today. It is believed the fight will represent more cash than any other fight in the history of the prize ring.

Thomas J. McCarry, of Los Angeles, whose bid was considered highest by many, made a game race for his Pacific Athletic Club, but his cause was without hope. James Coffroth, by virtue of his control of the two basic patents on moving pictures, had decreed against McCarry and his ally, "Eddie" Graney, of San Francisco, and the fight was given to Gleason and Rickard, who it is conceded by sporting men, have an understanding with Coffroth—a surmise strengthened by the fact that Gleason and Coffroth have shared one bid in the past. McCarry and Graney estimate that the net value of the moving pictures will amount to at least $200,000 and may be worth $400,000.

After Lou Houseman, of Chicago, as master of ceremonies, had called the meeting to order in a hotel at Hoboken, Sam Berger, Jeffries' manager, announced that his principal had decided for Rickard and Gleason. Geo. Little, representing Johnson made a similar announcement and Stakeholder Bob Murphy was about to declare the matter settled when McCarry rose to insist on reading the Rickard bid, in an effort to show that it was not the best.

"I was induced to come across the continent," protested McCarry, "by the representation that everything was to be above board. I find it otherwise. If my bid is not the best, then Eddie Graney's is. Graney's bid amounts, including pictures, to $275,000 to the fighters."

"Well, I've been in this fight business longer than you have," spoke up Gleason, and was about to continue when McCarry jumped to his feet and hurled his wallet across the long table, crying:

"There's at least $250 that you haven't".

"But I had bigger fights", persisted Gleason.

"I'll bet my pile you haven't", shouted McCarry.

Lou Houseman quieted the argument, but there was more wrangling before Berger announced decisively that Jeffries would not change his verdict. Little made a similar announcement for Johnson, and Stakeholder Murphy declared the award to Rickard and Gleason. At Gleason's suggestion the final signing of the articles at Hoboken was postponed until tomorrow at 11 o'clock, when lawyers will clinch the last technicalities.

General sympathy was expressed for McCarry. He had prejudiced his rather delicate health by a cross-continent trip, in the expectation of getting the fight. Rickard assured him as a sop to his chagrin that a special ringside box should be built for him and his friends.

The guaranteed purse for this fight is the largest ever offered, but sporting men believe the moving pictures will net even more. John L. Sullivan was mentioned in the gossip today as a possible referee. No one believes that he will be selected as referee. His age and bulk are his only handicaps, but they are sufficient. The referee may be chosen tomorrow when the final articles are signed.

TO RECLAIM TERRITORY.

District of Columbia Wants to Take Slice of Virginia.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Residents of the District of Columbia are planning to recover the territory that once was part of the Federal capital, but now is in Virginia and at a meeting of the Board of Trade on Monday, a plan will be discussed to have President Taft institute suit against Virginia looking to the recovery of the territory.

According to legal authorities, such action is entirely feasible and there is percedent in law in the suit brought against Texas by the Federal government. This method of undertaking the work, it is pointed out, would preclude the necessity for asking action by Congress.

The Virginia city of Alexandria is within the limits of the territory to which claim is made.

AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY

Freshmen Debate—Social and Personal News Notes—College Spirit Manifests Itself Admirably in Athletics.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 2.—Saturday night in the Dialectic Literary Society Hall the annual Freshman debate was held, and was pronounced by the judges as the best debate ever held in the hall. This debate is held every November betwen members of the Freshmen class and the contestants making the best speech is rewarded with a prize of $10. On Saturday night the query was, "Resolved: That aside from the constitutionality, the Federal Government should levy a tax on incomes." Messrs. Walker, Woltz, Busbee and Scott debated the affirmative, while the negative was upheld by Messrs. Russell, Bivens, Mebane and Wiggins. The negative won but Mr. Scott won the prize.

On Friday night Gov. Bob Taylor spoke in Grand Hall as the third member of this year's star course. The last time Gov. Taylor spoke here he pleased an immense audience with his humorous talk, "Castles in the Air". The topic of his talk this time was "Happy Valley." This will be the last star course number before Christmas.

Rev. J. W. Wildman, pastor of the Franklin Street First Baptist Church, has received a call from a Florida church, and will leave here some time during the early Spring to take up his new duties.

Rev. R. W. Hogue made a talk before the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night and was heard by an unusually large crowd. During his talk he emphasized the fact that U. N. C. had the largest Bible study enrollment among the students of any university in the South and he exhorted those present to lend their efforts in making this enrollment even larger.

Prof. A. H. Patterson, head of the Physics Department of the University, returned from Winston, where he delivered an astronomical lecture before the Salem Female Academy in that city. The subject of Dr. Patterson's talk was "Star Land," and was delivered in the memorial hall of Salem College, so as to make the exercises open to the public and in that way more beneficial.

Prof. M. C. S. Noble has returned from Roxboro where he made a pedagogical talk before the High School in that town.——Miss Atkinson, of Texas, is visiting Mrs. R. W. Hogue on Rosemary street, and is the recipient of many attentions while here.

Mrs. E. K. Graham has left Chapel Hill for a shore while to visit Miss Mary Pruden, of Edenton.——Rev. R. W. Royal has returned from the Methodist Conference in Raleigh——Miss Sadie Thomas, of Charlotte, arrived in the city Monday night and is the guest of Mrs. C. S. Mangum while here.

The tennis team of the University added another stone to the foundation of its claims as interstate champion of Virginia and North Carolina at tennis last Saturday when they defeated Davidson at Charlotte by the score of 100 to 0. In the doubles Davidson was represented by Messrs. McClintock and Crawford, veterans of last year's team. Carolina was represented by Fountain and Venable, who won easily by speedy net work. In the singles Venable played Crawford and Fountain took McClintock, both Carolina men winning easily over their opponents, taking in all three love sets from them.

This game concludes Carolina's tennis schedule for this Fall and the interstate championship without a doubt falls to the White and Blue.

The splendid college spirit of Carolina has demonstrated itself wonderfully during the past few weeks. Over $1,000 of the $4,000 deficit in the Athletic Treasury was collected right on the campus from the students and faculty and coming as it did at the last of the month it certainly speaks well for Carolina college spirit. There has also been received about $500 from alumni associations over the State and this came in very timely. As is seen, there is still a $2,500 deficit and as the students have responded so liberally, "Old Carolina" is looking to her alumni to come forward and help her out of this hole, as it will be impossible to put out either a baseball or track team next Spring unless the deficit is made up.

STATE COURT UP-HELD

Circuit Court Holds Decision in Railroad Case Conclusive.

Richmond, Va., D c. 2.—Alleging error on the part of the United States Circuit Court for the district of South Carolina in holding a judgment of the State Supreme Court to be conclusive the United States Circuit Court of Appeals here today heard argument in the case of S. P. A. Willcox, receiver of the Georgetown and Western Railroad Company, appellant, vs. Leila A. Jones, administratrix of James A. Jones, deceased, appellee.

The case was first tried in the court of common pleas of Georgetown county, S. C., and its action was later sustained by the Supreme Court of South Carolina.

The judgment was disregarded, and Judge Brawley subsequently held on petition that the decision of the State court was conclusive. The case on appeal was heard before Circuit Judge Pritchard and District Judge Waddill, and Connor.

AMERICAN FORCES TO CANAL ZONE

Ships in Readiness to Protect Interests in Nicaragua Zone.

LEAVES WITH 700 MARINES

United States Battleships Assembling ca—Proceeding to Nica- ca—Proceedings to Nicaraguan Waters.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Naval forces of the United States are being moved forward tonight to both coasts of Central America for the purpose of protecting American life and property in Nicaragua by force of arms if the necessity arises.

With the departure late today from Philadelphia of the troopship Prairie with 700 marines aboard for the Isthmus of Panama, and if it be so decreed for Nicaragua, and with the sailing from Magdalena Bay of the protected cruiser Albany and the gunboat Yorktown for Corinto, on the Pacific coast of Nicaragua, the warlike activity of the Navy Department was becoming manifest on both oceans that wash the Nicaraguan shores.

Besides the cruisers Des Moines and Tacoma and the gunboat Marietta are lying off Port Limon, Costa Rica, ready for any call upon them, and the guns of the little gunboat Vicksburg are pointed toward the custom house and town of Corinto. The gunboat Princeton is endeavoring to make her way from the Bremerton navy yard, Washington, to Corinto, also.

In addition, the transport Buffalo, according to what is said to be the plans of the officials responsible will sail from Panama for Corinto, with probably as many as 1,100 marines aboard, soon after the Prairie which left Philadelphia this afternoon with about 700 marines, arrives at Colon.

On the Albany are about 280 blue jackets, and on the Vicksburg, Yorktown and Princeton about 150 each. These, together with the marines, would make an army equal to any organization reported to be serving under Zelaya.

At the same time, the United States will have a formidable force within striking distance of the Atlantic coast in case of danger to American lives or property in that section of Nicaragua.

At Port Limon, Costa Rico, are anchored the cruisers Des Moines and Cacoma each with 280 men aboard and the gunboat Marietta with 150 men.

With the probability of many delicate questions arising in Nicaragua and of their demanding immediate response the Navy Department decided to send a flag officer to Nicaragua to take command of the American naval forces. Rear Admiral William W. Kimball was chosen for that duty. He sailed for Colon, Panama, today on the Prairie. He will make his way from there to Corinto doubtless as rapidly as possible. Admiral Kimball has been a member of the naval boards of examinations and retirements and of construction for more than a year.

There were no developments at the State Department today regarding Nicaragua affairs. Although Secretary Knox, in his note last night to the Nicaraguan charge, Mr. Rodriguez, intimated that he would be willing to see that gentleman unofficially, the permission has not yet been taken advantage of.

Having promptly informed in a lengthy cablegram the Nicaraguan government that the American Secretary of State had last night presented him with his passports, Senor Felipe Rodriguez, charge de affaires, of Nicaragua in Washington, is tonight patiently awaiting instructions from President Zelaya as to what course he is to follow now that diplomatic relations between the United States and Nicaragua have been severed.

Mr. Rodriguez would make no statement today and had received no further information, he said, regarding the progress of affairs in Nicaragua.

No marines have been landed at any point in Nicaragua. That statement was made to the Associated Press tonight by Brigadier General George F. Elliott, commanding the United States marine corps.

"Neither are there any marines on board any of the United States war vessels now in Nicaraguan waters" said General Elliott. "The marines nearest Nicaragua tonight are at Panama."

"Have they been ordered to Nicaragua?" General Elliott was asked. "Not yet," replied the commander.

The Prairie Goes Ashore.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—Carrying a rear admiral of the United States Navy, two battalions of marines, and sufficient implements of war to conduct a vigorous campaign against the turbulent Central American Republic of Nicaragua, if necessary, the auxiliary cruiser Prairie ran aground on the soft mud of the Delaware river about 35 miles below here tonight a few hours after weighing anchor at the Philadelphia navy yard bound for the Caribbean.

Information that the Prairie had run

aground came in a wireless message from Admiral Kimball, to the Red Star Line, asking two powerful tugs be sent to the assistance of the stranded craft. The tugs were at once dispatched to the aid of the vessel. It is expected that the Prairie will be released from the mud at high tide about 4 o'clock tomorrow morning. The cruiser is aground between New Castle and Delaware City.

It is not believed that the vessel sustained any injury, but if necessary the cargo can be transferred to the cruiser Dixie, which lies in readiness at the Philadelphia navy yard.

Reports that stern measures would be adopted against Nicaragua were given added weight today when Rear Admiral William M. Kimball reached here from Washington and boarded the Prairie as a passenger bound for the turbulent zone. In addition to the battalion of 400 marines under the command of Major Smedley D. Butler, which had already been slated to go to Panama, a second battalion commanded by Major P. A. Bannon sailed on the vessel. The combined force is under the direct command of Lieut. Col. Mahoney.

Two pieces of artillery and a machine gun were added to the munitions on board the Prairie today, in addition to the 3-inch field pieces placed on board yesterday.

There is also on board 800,000 rounds of ammunition, cook stoves, tents, spades and wheel barrows for building entrenchments, and other supplies of various descriptions. Besides the 703 marines, there are 183 blue jackets in the crew of the Prairie.

Before sailing Admiral Kimball was asked as to his destination. "I am going to take a little sail with Capt. Kellogg. I'm going down to look things over; my papers say Colon."

Major Butler, in command of the battalion from this city, said: "I firmly believe we are bound to Nicaragua. In fact there is not a doubt of it in the minds of any one on board."

Zelaya Plans to Resign.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Driven to desperation by the unexpected and unbending of the United States, President Zelaya is now reported to have developed a plan whereby he can resign and at the same time retain the reins of power. This consists in putting into the office of President of Nicaragua Jose Madriz, well known in Central American diplomatic circles as Zelaya's henchman and declared to be at Zelaya's bid and call. The State Department, it is declared, is entirely cognizant of the conspiracy underway and will act vigorously and promptly if occasion demands.

In the meantime neither the State Department nor the Nicaraguan legation officials will discuss the advance of diplomatic events. Senor Rodriguez, charge d'affaires of the legation, insisted tonight that he had not heard from his government and the State Department likewise professed to be ignorant of the next movement of President Zelaya.

When the alleged plot for the continuation of the Zelayan power by proxy became known, it threw the Central American contingent here into a frenzy.

While the State Department has been acquainted fully with the movement afoot, it is not yet prepared to protest. In view of the extremely powerful note addressed to President Zelaya yesterday through the Nicaraguan representative here it is not believed that Zelaya will attempt extreme methods. In such event any further action by the United States would be superfluous and the department is marking time.

Delaware City, Del., Dec. 2.—Three powerful tugs, two from the Red Star Line and the government tug Modoc are lying alongside the Prairie. Hawsers are being attached to the stranded cruiser and an effort will be made to float it about 4 o'clock.

Zelaya Is Surprised.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 2.—The action of the American Secretary in dismissing Senor Felipe Rodriguez, the Nicaraguan charge de'affairs at Washington, has greatly surprised President Zelaya, who reiterated today his belief that the Nicaraguan government was justified in executing the Americans Groce and Cannon, who were affiliated with the revolutionists.

Zelaya will take no action until he has received further information or the subject and learns definitely the intentions of the United States.

Mexico's Position.

Mexico City, Dec. 2.—That Mexico does not expect to herself be drawn into the Nicaraguan controversy, but will maintain a neutral attitude was the statement made by Senor Mariscal, minister of foreign relations tonight. The action of the United States in severing relations with the Southern republic was not resented by Mexico, he said, although it came most unexpectedly at a time when his government was awaiting a reply to its suggested plan for peace.

The news of the breach between Nicaragua and the United States came as a surprise and created a great sensation here today. The situation was the chief topic of conversation on the streets, in the restaurants and at the clubs.

MR. MARSDEN BELLAMY.

Tribute to Him by a Colored Man Who Loved Him.

(Communicated.)

It is an ocasion of melancholy interest to me, who in my feeble way would pay tribute of homage to the worth of a distinguished citizen, the late, lamented Mr. Marsden Bellamy. To say that I lament his death is but to faintly express the emotions of my heart. Wilmington has lost a most illustrious and honorable citizen, a sincere friend, a sound lawyer, the courteous and accomplished gentleman. He was virtuous from a love of virtue, with a heart "full of the milk of human kindness", ever ready to scatter good advice and to shed the sunshine of his own bright nature into the dark lives of others. He died full of years and honors, and like the mailed warrior of old, with his armor on, and I doubt not today is reaping the reward of the Christian soldier made perfect in the land where the clangor of arms will no more be heard, and the harmony of unbroken peace forever reigns. With a heart full of sympathy for one who has been my friend, I am glad to say a few rugged but honest words in his honor and to his memory.

THOMAS H. KNIGHT.

COTTON DURING NOVEMBER.

Hester's Monthly Statement Shows 1,941,139—Statistics.

New Orleans, Dec. 2.—Secretary Hester's New Orleans cotton statement issued today shows the total for November to be 1,941,139 bales against 2,595,097 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 4,203,195 against 4,577,441 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 303,146 against 435,183 last year; Southern mill takings, exclusive of consumption at Southern outports 685,000 bales against 677,000 last year, and interior stocks in excess of those held at the commencement of the season 611,000 bales against 657,085 last year.

These make the total movement of the cotton crop brought into sight during the three months ending close of November, 5,802,341 bales against 6,346,790 last year. Foreign exports for the three months of the season have been 3,031,495 bales, showing a decrease under last season of 112,500 bales.

Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading Southern interior centers at the close of November were 1,505,968 bales against 1,793,690 last year.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the previous season and the number of bales of the current crop brought into sight during the three months the supply to date has been 6,054,657 against 6,628,056 last year.

MRS. CAROLINE MARSH DEAD

Entered Into Rest at Fayetteville. Young Scotchmen Arrive.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 2.—The Observer this afternoon announces the death of Mrs. Caroline Smith Marsh, relict of Cornelius Marsh, Esq., and daughter of the late William Smith, which occurred at the residence of her son Ex-Sheriff W. H. Marsh, on Dick street at 11:30 last night, aged 84 years. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Heman Jones and Mrs. W. A. Gainey, and three sons, Messrs. D. W. Marsh, of Parkton, and W. H. and Dr. J. H. Marsh, of this city, and one sister Mrs. Etta J. Page, of Columbus county. The funeral will take place from the residence tomorrow at 11 A. M., and the interment will be in Cross Creek cemetery.

The Observer this afternoon says: Four fine looking, well dressed and healthy young men arrived in Fayetteville last night, coming direct from Scotland, having already been secured positions on farms here by Mr. Edward Bagley, the wealthy Scotchman, who was recently here.

They are: A. A. McKenzie, of Forress, going to Maj. J. W. McLauchlin's farm, Raeford; J. H. McColl, of Edinboro, and A. A. McIntosh, of Edinboro, going to Mr. James McBryde's, Floral College; C. Keith, of Berwick, going to Mr. H. C. McNair's, Maxton, N. C.

EXPLOSION AND FIRE.

One Killed and Five Injured in Conflagration at Camden, S. C.

Camden, S. C., Dec. 2.—With a shock which made the whole town tremble, a Presto Carbon tank in the Southern Express office here exploded about 7:30 tonight, wrecking the office building and causing a fire which swept half a block of Camden's finest business section with a loss of $100,000. One negro man is reported to have been killed, two prominent citizens injured and five others are more or less hurt.

The seriously injured are: Andrew Whitaker and Arthur Watkins. The exact nature of the injuries of Arthur Watkins and Whitaker have not been determined.

The explosion threw down the wall of the express office and precipitated it upon the next building, the store of Watkins' Brothers. This building its path was swept away.

The cause of the explosion of the caved under the pressure and the walls fell in on the five occupants. Whitaker and Arthur Watkins were buried under the debris and sustained serious injuries. The other occupants of the building though slightly injured rescued the wounded men barely in time as the fire instantly began to sweep along Main street and was checked only after every building in tank of Preso-Carbon, held responsible for the disaster, is unknown.

AFFAIRS AT ROCKY POINT.

Shipments of Peanuts Large—Cold Wave—Shipping Greens.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Point, N. C., Dec. 2.—The shipment of peanuts has been of some larger volume than usual within the past week. By rail over 3,500 bushels have gone to Wilmington, besides large quantities are at Lane's ferry, the Bluff and other points on Northeast river that will be moved by the steamer Duplin.

The cold wave finds many in hog killing. Mr. G. B. Lee is killing some one-year-olds weighing 160 to 300 pounds. He fattens them on peanuts, potatoes and pecans and the hams are delicious, cured nut brown with decidedly a nutty flavor. There's always been something doing in his smokehouse. The new rings in always before the old rings out.

The holly, mistletoe, bamboo and palm shipments for Christmas greens will be small this season from the fact that the holly supply is nearly exhausted and there are few with red berries.

The Epworth League here promises an entertainment in the near future. The cast will consist of 15 of our best amateur performers. Mr. T. J. Armstrong, Jr., and Miss Annie Sanderson will conduct the play.

NEGRO KILLS WHITE MAN

Young Farmer Near Gough, Ga., Victim—Lynching Feared.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 2.—Charles Major, a negro farm hand, shot and killed Clifford Holley, a young white man at Gough, Ga., late today. The shooting grew out of a quarrel between the white man and the negro. The white people of Gough are incensed at the shooting and are hunting for the negro. There may be a lynching if he is caught.

It seems that the negro, Major and another negro, Rias Walker, started the quarrel and that Clifford Holley and his father W. D. Holley took a hand. The Holleys took the part of the negro, Walker, and Major seeing that he was outnumbered, used a Winchester rifle with dead effect.

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DAY OF THE FIELD TRIALS.

Six Pointers in Free-for-All Stake at Barbers Yesterday.

Barber, N. C., Dec. 2.—Six pointers and two English setters were put down today in the free-for-all stake of the Pointer Club of America and when night fell there was still one brace to run before the stake is finished. The heats were of two hours duration and the braces went down in this order:

Pointer Dick Brisk, owned by Pierson Lane, of Washington, and handled by A. O. Yont, of Newton, N. C., with the pointer Masterpiece, owned by A. H. Ball, of New York, and handled by J. A. Gude.

Cowley's Pride, owned by U. M. Fleischmann, of New York, and handled by C. H. Babcock, of New Bedford, Mass., and Spots Rip Rap, owned by Judge D. G. McConnell, of Vancouver, B. C.

Milton, setter, owned by J. F. Hyndes, of Baltimore, and handled by E. D. Garr, and Mascot Lady, setter, owned by Dr. S. A. Saunderson, of New York, and handled by W. D. Gilchrist.

Cowley's Pride, who won the Continental All-Age stake here was a disappointment today, being guilty of a blink and was off the course most of the time. Milton ran the best race of the day. The stake will be finished by noon tomorrow.

LIQUOR PROBLEM IN SOUTH.

No Race Problem Says Seaborn Wright—Attitude of South.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—"There never was a race problem in the South; it has been purely a liquor problem," said Seaborn Wright, of Georgia, in addressing the National Anti-Saloon League Conference of Superintendents here today.

"The saloon never will come back in the South," he continued, "the North did right to free the slaves, but it did not go far enough. Under our law it was a crime to sell liquor to a slave. You freed them and exposed this childish race to unspeakable debauchery at the hands of the saloon.

"The recent legislation against the liquor traffic in the South is a culmination of 25 years of persistent effort I know the Southern people thoroughly and in spite of statements circulated by the liquor interests you need not fear that they will ever permit the saloon to return."

COMMISSION MAY BE RAISED.

Proposed Action of the New York Cotton Exchange Yesterday.

New York, Dec. 2.—The meeting of the members of the New York Cotton Exchange to consider the proposal to raise commissions from $7.50 to $10 for members of the Exchange and from $15 to $20 for non-members resulted in the adoption of a resolution that such an advance in the commissions should be charged on all business originating in the Eastern Hemisphere, while the proposed amendments affecting commission on business originating in the Western Hemisphere were referred back to the board of managers without endorsement.

The board of managers' action, it was said today, is not final, but the expression of sentiment seemed sufficiently unanimous to indicate that the final vote would be more or less formal, and that the questions had been practically settled.

MELDRUM HEADS SEABOARD.

Officers Elected by Directors in New York—Others Chosen.

New York, Dec. 2.—N. S. Meldrum was elected president of the Seaboard Air Line at a meeting of the directors of that company here today. Mr. Meldrum was formerly a vice president of the company.

The directors also elected C. H. Hix as vice president and general manager; C. R. Capps as vice president in charge of traffic, and L. G. Haas, of Baltimore, as assistant to the president

PROF. HARRIS GIVES BOND.

Slayer of Virginia Editor Appears in Court.

Warrenton, Va., Dec. 2.—Professor J. D. Harris, who has been granted a new trial for the shooting and killing of W. A. Thompson, associate editor of the Warrenton Virginian, last April, appeared before Judge Edward S. Turner, of the Circuit Court today and the bond of $30,000 was reduced to $15,000. The case was set for April 4, 1910.

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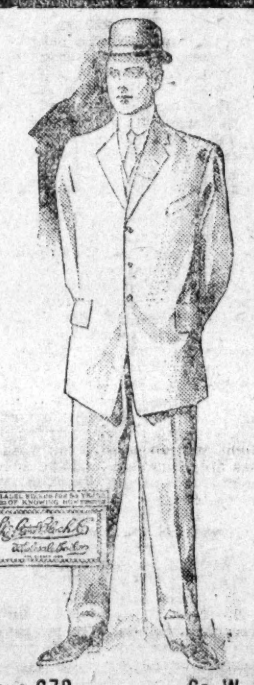

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¶News, Comment and Incidents as Reflected in North Carolina. : : : : : : : : : :

Barber Charged With Rocking Train.

Wadesboro Ansonian: Special S. A. L. officer H. H. Redfearn came here Friday and arrested Mr. James Graves, a barber. He is charged with rocking train No. 45 on Thanksgiving Day. He was placed under a $100 bond by Esq. J. A. Little and the preliminary hearing will be held tomorrow.

Newbern's New Clock.

Newbern Sun: The work on the new tower that is being erected on the government building in which a new large illuminated clock will be placed, is being pushed forward. The masonry work is rapidly going up. The frames for the lower windows have been set in place. All work is expected to be completed and the bell striking the hour by the last of February.

Bond Election Off In Anson.

Wadesboro Ansonian: The Ansonian learns that there will be no election held the 14th of December in this county as advertised. The failure of certain registrars to open their books at the required time is the cause given for the failure to hold the election, which would be illegal on that account. We have not learned what will be the result in other counties through which the proposed road was to run and which were asked to vote bonds for it.

Valuable Book on Forest Protection.

Asheville Citizen: Dr. C. A. Schenck, of the Biltmore Forestry department, has completed for publication a very interesting and instructive book on "Forest Protection. The book was gotten out for use as a text book in the Biltmore Forestry school and is taken from the lectures delivered before the students of that institution. The book was printed and bound by the Inland Press in a very neat volume. The type is very clear and bound in light green color.

Verdant Monroe.

Monroe Enquirer: Yesterday a fakir struck town and soon had a large crowd around his buggy. He told his hearers that he was such an expert at selling things, that he could even sell the dirt under their feet if he was so disposed. Seeing a blade of fodder on the ground the fakir seized upon it, broke off a small bit and asked who would pay 25 cents for it. A man in the crowd said he wanted the fodder blade and so he paid his quarter and got it; so did several others, the fodder blade netting the fakir $2. Now, the kind gentlemen who had purchasad the fodder on faith were handed back their money and also each purchaser given a handful of jewelry, teaspoons, etc., besides. And now didn't some one else in the crowd want a good razor for only a dollar. They did, about 75 of them, suddenly remembered that they needed a good razor. After the last transaction the fakir had business elsewhere—doubtless in greener and fresher localities.

Big Chicken Fight.

Lexington Dispatch: Gentlemen who surreptitiously hike out to the wild and unfrequented places to hold chicken fights were interested in the news that there was a big cocking main somewhere near Asheville in the mountains of Buncombe county Thanksgiving Day. Sports from North and South Carolina were on hand with the finest birds in these States and the main lasted two days. North Carolina roosters took three fights to the Sandlappers' two. Because all this is against the law little could be learned, but it is said that more than $10,000 changed hands as a result of the betting. The main last Thanksgiving took place in the "Dark Corner" of South Carolina ,and the Tar Heel birds won the fight but the South Carolinians won the money. Men bet and win or lose huge sums on roosters. A chicken fight on the banks of the Catawba river six miles from Rock Hill ended in a man fight the same day, one of the "sports" getting his sporty head split open with a bottle.

Bumptious Davidson Scholars.

Lexington Dispatch: In the public schools this Fall teachers have been having some trouble with stubborn students and in one or two cases lawyers have been consulted. The superintendent has been consulted by teachers and he says that the teachers are encouraged to make only a few simple rules, and when these are made, and reasonable, the students will have to obey them. It is the policy of the school officials to stand by the teachers when they are in the right, as they most always are. Teachers have been told to send insubordinate students home unless they respect the regulations. Prof. Vann, the superintendent, left Monday for Denton to accept the new school houses of the Flint Hill and County Line schools. He was accompanied by Mr. Chas. W. Gilliam, of Wilkes county, who has been secured to teach the Cedar Grove school in Silver Hill. This school opened yesterday. The teachers in Abbotts Creek, No. 1, and Boone, No. 1, have stated that they want the North Carolina railroad maps, spoken of last week. These maps cost 25 cents each.

GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN ROADS.

Dr. Pratt Speaks Glowingly of Experience on Recent Auto Run.
(News and Observer.)

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, who was one of the road judges in the New York Herald-Atlanta Journal automobile tour from New York City to Atlanta, in an interview yesterday said: "The North Carolina public roads showed up better than those of any other State outside of New Jersey, and the autoists were very much surprised at the condition of the roads, as they had not expected to find them much more than passable, with the exception of perhaps a few stretches of good road." Dr. Pratt stated that it was very gratifying to him to hear these favorable comments regarding our roads and also to see the splendid condition of a large portion of the dirt roads. "The fever of road improvement," he said, "had struck nearly all of the counties, from Rockingham, on the north, to Gaston on the south. One who had traveled over the Rockingham county roads six months ago would hardly have recognized them the latter part of October, when the forty or more automobiles passed through the county. The county commissioners had 'widened the roads in places, shaped them and in many places had removed all the stones. Expressions of complete satisfaction were heard from all the autoists when they struck the almost perfect roads of Guilford county, leading from Oak Ridge to Greensboro. When the party stopped at Lexington for lunch every one was congratulating each other on the splendid roads that they had come over from Winston to Lexington, and said that the State should be proud of its roads. The autoists thoroughly appreciate what the counties and townships had done in improving their dirt roads for this tour. Another compliment that the autoists thoroughly appreciated was that extended to them by the bridge company, of Salisbury, who gave them free passage across their bridge, which is over the Yadkin river. As far as I know this is the only toll that was remitted during the whole route. All the toll roads in Pennsylvania, Indiana and Virginia charging the autoists the regular toll. Bessemer City, Gaston county, made a big hit with the autoists in the work that they did in relocating their road around the mountain. They made a cut 15 feet deep and then carried the road on a perfect grade up and down the mountain. This township deserves a great deal of credit for this work, which was done especially for the automobile tour. It is of great value to the town and should have been done long before for the benefit of the people of the township, but no incentive arose regarding where the auto route would go." Dr. Pratt further stated that while he expected North Carolina would make a splendid showing with the roads, he was himself most agreeably surprised at the splendid record made by our roads.

LOVED HIMSELF TO JAIL.

"Sighing Like a Furnace" Has Trouble When He Throwc Off Sparks.
(Winston-Salem Journal.)

Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 30.—Alleging that Harry W. Boyles, manager of Clegg's up-town cafe, had threatened to kill her daughter, Mrs. Ada Kirkman today swore out a peace warrant before Justice of the Peace D. H. Collins against him and tonight Boyles is in jail in default of a bond of $1,000 to keep the peace. The young lady is Miss Nettie Kirkman, with whom Mr. Boyles is said to be desperately in love. It is claimed that Mr. Boyles and Miss Kirkman had been sweethearts for years. Mr. Boyles did not like the attentions bestowed on the young woman by another suitor and protested. Then he threatened, according to Mrs. Kirkman, and wrote letters saying that he would kill the girl unless she would marry him. The mother became alarmed and today had a peace warrant issued for him and tonight Mr. Boyles is in jail. Both parties are prominent, and the announcement of the arrest will create a stir in the city.

FAYETTEVILLE GIRL HURT.

Meredith College Student Thrown From Train.
(News and Observer.)

Her many friends will regret to learn of a painful accident that befell Miss Fannie Anderson yesterday morning, when she was thrown from the Raleigh & Southport train as it was leaving Union station. Miss Anderson is from Fayetteville, having come to Raleigh to attend Meredith College, and is boarding with her aunt Mrs. M. J. Carroll, on North Halifax street. Yesterday morning she, with her aunt, went to the station with Mrs. Ernest R. Carroll, who left for Fayetteville, where she will enter a hospital for treatment. The party got on the train and did not start to get off until the train began to pull out from under the shed. The ladies swung from the platform of the car as quickly as possible, Mrs. M. J. Carroll, without any accident; but Miss Anderson was violently thrown to the floor. In the fall her ankle was so badly sprained that it was necessary for her to be taken home.

DID UP STREET CAR.

In Collision With Auction Wagon—The Wagon Got Best of It.
(News and Observer.)

There was a reversal of the usual yesterday, in that a street car got the worse of a collision with a wagon. The big wagon of the Raleigh Auction House, driven by Mr. Frank Wilson, was turning across Fayetteville street on the block south of the Capitol. In the turn a car struck the wagon and the front of the car was torn up and the car jolted from the track. As the car got the worse of it there would be poetic justice in the street car company suing the auction house, but it has been concluded to let poetic justice keep out of the affair.

THOSE OYSTER BONES.

Experience of Western Farmer at the Washington Oyster Roast.
(News and Observer.)

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, was talking yesterday of the success of the Farmers' National Convention and the farmers' visit to Belhaven and Washington, being entertained at the latter point at an old-fashioned oyster roast. A newspaper man listening to Dr. Pratt remarked that he had been unable to open the oysters as rapidly as some others and Dr. Pratt said he was reminded of the Western farmer who came up with bleeding hands, saying "Confound these oyster bones, they've cut my hands all to pieces."

Senator Overman Off to Washington.

Salisbury Post: Senator Overman leaves either on Wednesday or Thursday of this week for Washington City to be present at the opening of the 61st Congress on Monday of next week. He will be accompanied by his executive clerk, Mr. John D. Brown.

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	$6,226,412.40

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Surplus and Net Profit	351,423.93
Circulation	550,000.00
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
Deposits	4,674,988.47
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November 16th, 1907	$2,125,502.71
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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48. Daily.	No. 42. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:45 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:00 pm	9:55 pm
Ar. Wilson	1:00 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	2:28 am
Ar. Norfolk	5:55 pm	*8:35 am
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	4:05 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	4:40 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:15 am	9:20 am
Ar. W. Phila.	3:45 am	11:44 pm
Ar. New York	6:30 am	2:00 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41. Daily.	No. 49. Daily.
Lv. New York	3:25 pm	9:25 pm
Lv. W. Phila.	5:44 pm	12:19 am
Lv. Baltimore	8:20 pm	2:46 am
Lv. Washington	10:00 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk	3:20 pm	8:25 am
Lv. Richmond	1:20 am	8:15 am
Lv. Petersburg	1:55 am	9:13 am
Lv. Weldon	5:35 am	11:35 am
Lv. Rocky Mount	5:00 am	12:50 pm
Lv. Wilson	5:36 am	2:09 pm
Lv. Goldsboro	6:35 am	3:05 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9:30 am	6:10 pm

WEST AND SOUTH.

	51	55	Via Wilson 42
Lv. Wil't'n	6:00 am	3:30 pm	7:00 pm
Ar Flor.	9:25 am	7:25 pm	3:45 am
Ar Col'bia.	1:00 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar Aug'ta.	3:00 pm		
Ar Atl'ta.	8:20 pm		
Ar. Nash.	6:35 am		
Ar Mem.	3:30 pm		
Ar Louv.	1:10 pm		
Ar Con'ti.	4:35 pm		
Ar Chars.	1:36 pm	11:25 pm	6:40 am
Ar Savh.	3:56 pm	2:20 am	9:00 am
Ar Jk'ville	8:10 pm	7:10 am	1:20 pm
Ar Tampa.	7:00 am	7:00 pm	9:55 pm

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NORTHBOUND.

	50 Daily.	54 Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:30 am
Lv. Jacksonville	7:30 am	7:45 pm
Lv. Savannah	11:40 am	12:15 am
Lv Charleson	4:00 pm	5:10 am
Lv Columbia	4:25 pm	6:00 am
Lv Augusta	2:45 pm	
Lv. Florence	7:58 pm	9:25 am
Ar. Wilmington	11:30 am	1:25 pm

WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

Westbound. 53 Daily.		Eastbound. 52 Daily.
8:40 AM	Lv Wilmington Ar	8:05 PM
11:45 AM	Ar Fayetteville Lv	4:50 PM
12:10 PM	Lv Fayetteville Ar	4:45 PM
1:40 PM	Ar. Sanford Lv	3:30 PM

WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

Northbound. 62 Daily except Sunday.		Southbound 63
3:25 PM	Lv Wilmington Ar	12:50 PM
5:17 PM	Ar Jacksonville Lv	10:55 AM
6:44 PM	Ar N & S. Jct Lv	9:35 AM
6:50 PM	Ar Newbern Lv	9:30 AM

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TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Lumina at 7:45, 9:15, and 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:50 and 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Lumina at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:25, 0:50, 7:50, and 9:15 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE.

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SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

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A WAR HORSE REJUVENESCENT.

When ex-Governor Glenn recently stated in Richmond his belief that ex-Governor Harmon would be the next Democratic candidate for President, and stated further that the time had come when the South ought to have representation on the ticket, the horrid thought instantly presented itself that the brilliant prohibition advocate was getting ready to throw over the tendered nomination by the W. C. T. U., as President, in the hope of landing a nomination by the Democracy for not quite so high a place, but one with a better fighting chance attached.

We say that this wicked thought knocked for recognition. We repelled and ejected it as one of those vile slanders that come from the promptings of the meaner of our dual natures. Not so with others, however, who have proceeded in numbers to cautiously suggest, and in some instances even to state as conviction, such a conclusion. Still we stuck to the color of our faith, until Glenn himself made further trust impossible.

Following up his Harmon interview, with all its suggestiveness, he is quoted again as stating that he expects to be in the next campaign, as he was in the last one. But not exactly, we take it, as he was in the last one, for evidently visions of the cloistered Senate, of the simple life as Vice President, loom large in the ex-Governor's imaginings.

It would be well, however, for Governor Glenn to take the Southern public a little more in his confidence. Does he renounce the prohibition movement in politics, and all its works? Does he recant his recent statement that, if they would only elect him a sheriff in Tennessee, he would shoot the bloom off the breath of every man carrying with him even an ardent odor, or words to that effect? Is he ready to "sit at wine with the maidens nine" of Tammany Hall? Or, in this statement, does he merely contemplate that the tail shall wag the dog, to put it vulgarly, and that, along with the nomination of Bryan by the Prohibitionists, he may be able to pull off a sort of personal fusion of the two parties for the place now filled by Sherman? We suspected that things would begin to happen when the Commoner jumped over the fence and commenced to monopolize the pasturage in the prohibition field. But we did not know that Governor Glenn had so much finesse. Will he yet manage to hold his job and have it, to continue as a missionary, with vacations devoted to politics? Or has the ex-war horse been so long in quiet fields,—so hampered in his snortings and cavortings by the calico which has cumbered his stamping grounds,—that he has at last taken the bit between his teeth and is off down the road once more to strife, the blare of the band in his ears, the smoke of battle rising before his eyes, and the blood of carnage tittilating his nostrils! If the latter possibility be the true one, there will be all the more robustness in the irruption, when Glenn comes back to the ranks again.

PERMANENCE IN TYRANTS?

But, what to do about it? Says the Virginian-Pilot:

"Zelaya or Estrada, what does it matter who is nominally President but really dictator of a mock republic in Central America? The ideal of republican government entertained by the whole breed is that which Castro so long exploited in his principality in South America. Revolution is a mere change from one grafting tyrant to another."

Is the implied cure for tyranny under the form of a Republic that is instable in its oppression the tyranny of a suzerainty by this country, that, on acount of the power of the tyrant, may be depended upon to oppress permanently?

That President Taft's "Brother Charley" has no political ambitions in the State of Ohio is abundantly proven by his unpatriotic action in backing the movement to give Philadelphia a first class ball team.

It is a striking proof of the real effect of a strike that the first result of the switchmen stopping work is a sharp advance in the price of wheat. It is ever the thing that the poor must have that responds most quickly to economic disorders.

STRETCHING "POLICE POWERS"

The result in the test case in the Supreme Court in the matter of the Charlotte $1,000 tax on "near-beer" was to have been expected in view of the settled policy of the Court to in every possible way construe the constitution and statutes in favor of legislation designed to carry out the prohibition sentiment in the State. We realize, also, that so far as this particular case is concerned, the result is a beneficial one. "Near-beer" is notoriously a cloak for the sale of real beer, with the ardent on the side for those whom the dealer considers it safe to put "wise." The declaration, therefore, by the Court that it is competent for a municipality to impose so heavy a tax on the sale of this article leaves the question entirely one with the counties and cities. If the decision had been otherwise, there would have been an instant multiplication of the worst and most unrestrained character of "blind-tigers."

While we have not had the opportunity of reading the text of Justice Brown's decision, we gather that it is held that the license is not discriminatory, because levied on a particular class of business, under the charter rights of the town to impose license taxes; that, while a city may not impose a tax which would be prohibitive on any legal business, the imposition of the license carries the presumption of its reasonableness, and that such taxes may be laid jointly for revenue and in the exercise of municipal "police powers."

We confess to disappointment that the Court did not find a method of reaching the result it did without invoking the broad and dangerous ground of the "police power." Heretofore, the general understanding of the ground for the exercise of this judicially created right has been that there must be something inherent in the article sold, or in the business engaged in, which set it apart from ordinary occupations; that the "police power" applied only to those cases where there was manifestly danger in the article sold, or the business carried on, unless subject to police supervision of a special character. Thus, it is within the police power to regulate the sale of firearms, the storage of dynamite, the handling of liquor, and various other commodities dangerous on account of their inherent qualities or the well recognized effect of their use. But here is a State law which prohibits the sale of any intoxicating liquors whatsoever; which at the same time declares "near-beer" not an intoxicating liquor, as in fact it is not. Yet the Supreme Court justifies an all but prohibitive tax upon a harmless beverage, sanctioned and licensed by the law of the State.

Manifestly, then, soda water may be equally taxed. Ice cream stands may be made to disgorge their profits into the public purse. Druggists may be mulcted, and dairies had better have a care. We gather that something is said tending to show that the police power is authorized because of the gathering of crowds. The same thing applies to any soft drink establishment, cigar store, or what not. The extension of the doctrine to the point to which it has been carried would seem to mean, in fact, that the safety of all ordinary business depends practically, if not entirely, on the goodness of municipal aldermen. For one, we hesitate at a blind trust in such a reliance.

Of course, the crowds at the "near-beer" establishments do not mean that they are drawn thither by any such insipid lure. The same thing applies to the rowdiness and drunkenness that frequently mark such places. But it is to our mind a questionable stretch of a law, that must find equal application in all instances, to hold that what is illegally done is ever a just foundation for the exercise of the police power. That drunken men gather habitually at a grocery might make the particular place indictable as a nuisance, but it is a serious view to take that it puts all groceries under the ban of the arbitrary control of an exercise of the "police power."

If there were only some way in which to sentence all visitors to "near-beer" joints to drink "near-beer," their precincts would become as orderly as a funeral and as desolate of customers as a desert.

The increase in eleven months of this year over the corresponding months of last year was 4,446,700 pounds of manufactured tobacco in Winston-Salem alone. During the period mentioned there were manufactured in this greatest of all "plug markets" 39,480,326 pounds of chewing tobacco, on which the government received $2,000,000 in stamps. This record does not bear out the inference of the reduced allowance of "spittin' an' chewin'" in the navy estimates. Evidently, while the navy is learning its manners, the uitlander is the same tough old specimen as formerly.

We note that some Tennessee and Georgia towns are "segregating," or heavily taxing all places where soda water is sold. The "near-beer" decision opens up a fine field for city revenue in these particulars in this State.

THE PRICE OF BEEF.

It will come with somewhat of a shock to those who have been abusing the "Beef Trust", as the source of the high prices of one of the staple articles of living, to learn from Secretary Wilson's report that, in fifty cities investigated, the cost to consumers was thirty-five per cent. above the price paid by the retailers for their products. It also appears that the cheaper the grade of beef, the higher the profit which the retailer exacts.

This interesting fact is, unfortunately, in direct consonance with the immutable law of commerce that in the end the price is paid by those least able to afford it. The higher the price, the closer the margin of profit, is a rule that is perhaps economically sound, but one which in its reverse application makes for much of the misery which the world experiences. It is, perhaps, reasonable that the thing sold for two pennies should bring the retailer at least a hundred per cent. gross profit to cover sales expenses which, proportionately, are almost as great in the case of the cheaper as the dearer stuffs of barter and sale. It is, however, a hard rule, when it is remembered that the only reason any man buys anything at the price of a penny is that the penny has for him a distinct value. Applied to foods, the thought that these truths brings up is an unpleasant one, situated as we are mid-way between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

However, the Secretary of Agriculture reports a most prosperous year, with agricultural products totalling a value of $8,760,000,000.

There is plenty with which to buy the choice cuts, even at the prices they bring, but it is a pity that so much of this total comes from the profits paid by those who have not that with which to buy. As was said in the bitterest parable ever spoken: "To him that hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, shall be taken away, even that which he hath."

A GENTLEMANLY NAVY.

Fashions change, and ideals with them. Time was when there could no more have been an accurate conception of the jolly salt without his package of fine-cut, or his piece of "navy plug", than one could have pictured him without his "roll", pale and aenemic, instead of robust and mellow-visaged. Yet look at this news from Washington:

"Bids were opened today for 70,000 pounds of spittin' and chewin', which is expected to supply the enlisted men for the next fiscal year. Last year 200,000 pounds of chewing tobacco was bought for the navy, and the decrease indicates that the men are giving up a habit which is not considered polite in the best social circles. It is expected that the falling off in the demand for chewing tobacco will result in an increased demand for the smoking article."

Admit, as every gentleman will, that the chewing of tobacco is a dirty, ungentlemanly habit. Grant—while engineering a bit of invisible expectoration—that the cigar or the cigarette is much more elegant, is there not a feeling of regret that the good old days of swart and open vice are giving way to a time more cleanly on the outside, but of the inner stamina of which its very avoidance of the "vulgar" raises suspicion? The new sailor may do it all just as well, without the "roll", minus the pipe, without the "langwidges", and without the physique that made his prototype so terrible, and yet so admirable as a study and reliance. But when the wind begins to blow; when there is rare work and bitter to forward, who would not rather see an oil-skin tightening over big shoulders, and hear the discharge of "ambeer" between emphatic oaths, than to rest upon the ever so great nerve of a spick and span, cigarette-mounted navy of the new school?

Someway, chewing is man's work; that with which to clamp down to shock of crises, with which to spit on the ground in defiance of odds. While the tars of the navy were learning to be gentlemen, did they forget a something that was in the bone, and not in the books?

In 1908 North Carolina led all other Southern States in the production of gold, but at that its mines returned only $97,500, according to the Manufacturers' Record. The output of the precious metal might readily be increased to several millions by the application of modern mining methods. The day when a man "found" a gold mine and was forthwith rich has passed, except in the occasionally discovered virgin fields. But there are sufficient old and superficially worked mines in this State to yield a good return to the intelligent application of capital and up-to-date treatment, to say nothing of the mines that have never been worked at all, but which are known to contain rich and profitable ores.

When Richard Le Gallienne, the author of the burlesque poem entitled "The Poet With the Coward's Tongue," meets William Watson, the maligned author of "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," who is now crossing the ocean to seek personal reparation, all butterflys that wish to keep the dust on their wings had better wing their way from the scene of conflict.

Suffragette Pankhurst has sailed for home in England, saying that she expected to be jailed on arrival. There is nothing like expecting a thing hard enough, to get it.

Exercise of "police powers" for the prohibition of baseball cigarette pictures is one sort of "sumptuary legislation" to which we are committed in advance.

Those fifty dollar clerks who give notes for thousands must be optimists of that brand recently designated by a witness in court as "sanguine" men—men who always have money tomorrow and none today.

The trouble about the decisions that turn on the "police powers" is that such powers are inevitably broadened in each instance along lines different from the circumstances upon which such decisions are based. There is a plethora of "police powers" already.

Now that the Supreme Court has decided that municipalities have full power to deal with the "near-beer" saloons, the pledge of the Anti-Saloon League to keep liquor out of legislation becomes effective. We trust that the League can deliver the goods, which will mean peace for a little while, at any rate.

Judge Jeter C. Pritchard speaks with the authority of past effort when he says that the "time will come when an attempt will be made to overthrow our present form of government." After his experience with South Carolina's dispensary, the Judge might have added that the attempt was subject to occasional jolts before it was likely to permanently succeed.

The Florida Times-Union leads its editorial page with the statement, 'This weather makes one feel like a spring poet," and forthwith proceeds to let its afflatus escape as follows. 'Joyous Jacksonville wears a holiday air." "Only a few more football necks broken, that's all." "And now the courts justify hookworm as a cause for divorce." Barring the alliteration in "Joyous Jacksonville," and the poetic license in the assertion that footballs have necks, it would seem that something had clouded up and loused the glim.

"Argument" In Anson.

(Wadesboro Ansonian.)

The Wilmington Star is ready and willing to "now definitely close the incident," referring to its recent storm of words directed at the Ansonian.

If The Star could have realized at first how little it had to do with the case in point, and had been broad enough in its views to allow others their right to think for themselves and sensible enough to attend to its own affairs, why the matter need never have gone as far as it did. As a retreating effort, it refers to the Ansonian as an "insignificant straw" of small influence. Well, we shall hardly ask the Wilmington Star Co. for any damages caused by this remark, since it would probably be a matter of impossibility to prove, in any court of law, that The Star, at present, has influence enough to damage. Go on with your mail order prohibition.

CURRENT COMMENT.

When this "good trust" and "bad trust" business is all worked out by the administration no doubt the trusts which escape "busting" will stick this label on all their output: "Guaranteed Under the Pure Trust Act."—Norfolk Landmark.

Dr. Cook has disappeared. Look out for him to turn up as discoverer of the South Pole. There isn't any mountain that the Dr. can't scale with a spy-glass, nor any pole that he can't reach with a fountain pen and a nautical astronomical almanac.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

It was reported from Washington yesterday that Mr. Taft had "denied himself to all visitors, including Speaker Cannon." It doesn't matter very much how he treats his other visitors, but if he will only deny himself to the Speaker for the remainder of the present session of Congress he will find it greatly to his advantage.—Charleston News and Coruier.

"O that mine enemy would write a book!" "The Prowler," in the High Point Enterprise announces that he will publish his awfully interesting pieces in book form because "the articles seem to have aroused some interest." The Dispatch will await the publication of that book with interest. "The Prowler" is the editor of the Enterprise, Col. I. J. Fariss. —Lexington Dispatch.

President Diaz is to take a rest, an "adviser" to go into his cabinet and the Vice President to act as President. Think of such a condition of affairs as that in the United States! Here the Vice President casts an occasional deciding vote in the Senate and wears a dress suit and talks at agricultural fairs. Our Presidents are trying all the time to increase their authority, rather than to lessen it.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The Greensboro Record takes pleasure in announcing the probability that one article of food will be cheaper, if only for a few days, on its city market. It says: "Rabbits should be cheaper for a few days at least. About every man who can shoot spent Thursday in the fields and if the half of what is claimed is true as to the number killed, the market should be flooded." Chatham county had better look to its laurels.—Charlotte Observer.

"Why is it that the police authorities do not enforce the prohibition laws any more in North Carolina than they do elsewhere?" The Chattanooga Times wants the Observer to answer this question. We reply that they do. The laws—less radical than in some other States—are none too well enforced, but still the many unconcealed violations reported from Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama exist hardly anywhere in North Carolina.—Charlotte Observer.

In explaining Mr. Bryan's position on the prohibition question, another "paramount issue," as the saying goes, the Louisville Courier-Journal says: "Mr. Bryan is first a professional lecturer and then a political leader. By lecturing he makes his living and by leadership he gains his importance." It is a very comfortable sort of arrangement for him, and by working it diligently he has made a large fortune and is now in a position of independence and one of our foremost citizens.—Charleston News and Courier.

Christian Scientists are sometimes ridiculed in the newspapers because their prayer cure is so often followed by death. It would be an interesting comparison to state how many deaths follow treatment by medicine and surgery. Perhaps it would not be a bad idea to combine both the prayer and medical treatment in the effort to ward off the grim monster, and then when he gets in his work in spite of both, leave the respective partisans to wrangle over which was most responsible for his success. The Christian Scientists might plausibly say that if they didn't cure they didn't kill!—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The whole of Durham is talking about the new Watts Hospital, which will be formally opened tomorrow. It is indeed something to talk about, for it is a big thing—a great benevolence, an institution that will make the whole country sit up and take notice. It is the best institution of the kind south of Baltimore. Everybody is invited tomorrow to go out and see with their own eyes what a magnificent structure and gift Mr. George. W. W. Watts has made to the city and county of Durham. The humblest citizen in our borders is just as welcome as the wealthiest and mightiest. It is for the benefit of all. No worthy poor is to be excluded from its blessings. So let's make tomorrow another red letter day in Durham's history in the opening of the new hospital. Every heart should be as big as a barrel with city pride in having a citizen to do so much for this community.—Durham Sun.

The increase of 4,446,700 pounds of manufactured tobacco by the factories of Winston-Salem over the same number of months last year is only one of many indications of the progress of this city in commercial lines. During this year, eleven months, 39,480,326 pounds of manufactured plug tobacco have been shipped from the city and over two million dollars paid to the government for stamps. This is the biggest item, it is true, but other concerns are adding to the town's greatness. The various knitting mills are increasing their facilities and are doing this because their goods have a ready sale. Other enterprises are located here and new ones are being established by Winston-Salem men. Two great banks are going to build magnificent homes, and in every line of endeavor preparations are being made to grow with the city and community. There seems to be only one thing in which the city is short—enough rentable property for families. It is getting harder for a man to secure a suitable residence, and it is hoped that this shortage will soon be overcome. With the coming of the year 1910 and a few months later of the Southbound Railway, Winston-Salem will rightly come into its own, and be the leading city in North Carolina.—Winston-Salem Journal.

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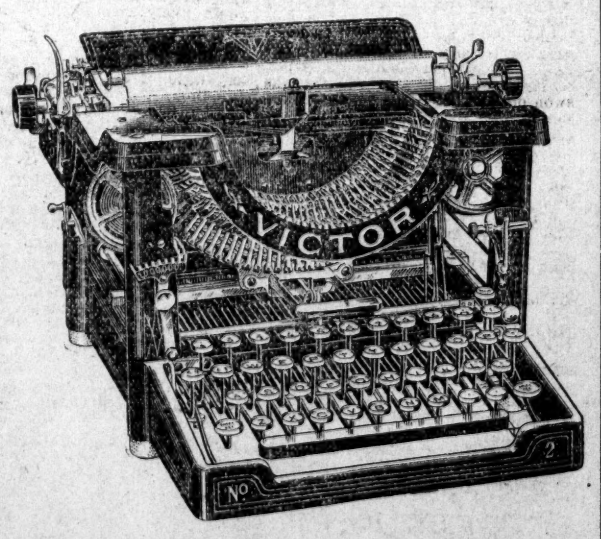

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PURSE SNATCHER CAPTURED

George Fisher, Colored, Taken by Mr. Arthur Ziegler After Long Chase. Grabbed Purse From Miss Ida Phelps.

George Fisher, colored, well known in police circles, was captured by Mr. Arthur Ziegler early last evening after a chase extending over several blocks and taken to police headquarters, where he was locked up in default of bond to await hearing before the Recorder this morning on the charge of highway robbery, being accused of snatching a purse from Miss Ida Phelps, at corner of Fourth and Red Cross streets, while she was on her way home about dusk.

From the information received at police headquarters the negro was standing at corner of Fourth and Red Cross streets and as the young lady passed that point he stepped boldly out to her and snatched her purse. She screamed and Mr. Arthur Ziegler, who was some distance behind going in the same direction, heard her and ran to her assistance. The negro had already started off in a dead run. Miss Phelps quickly informed Mr. Ziegler of what had happened and he lost no time in starting in pursuit of the fleet footed negro. He gained rapidly on the negro and at a point on Third street the robber realized that his capture was only a question of time and a mighty short time at that, so he threw the purse into the street, thinking perhaps that his pursuer only wanted the purse and its contents and that he would be allowed to escape. The recovery of the purse was desired, but Mr. Ziegler also wanted the negro and he kept going. The negro darted into another street and thence into Second, taking refuge under a residence. Mr. Ziegler followed and soon brought the negro out from under the building. A message to police headquarters brought the patrol wagon to the scene and the negro was taken to prison.

Fisher is not a stranger to the police and he feels at home when in a prison cell, having been up many times on various charges.

LOVER STAYED TOO LATE.

Forbidden by Parents to Return Again. Warrant for Trespass.

For some time past John Hines, colored, has been paying much attention to a daughter of Floyd Herring, colored. It is said that the old folks did not object to Hines' calling but they were opposed to him making his visits so long, extending much in the morning some times. The "old man" talked to Hines and asked him to make his visits shorter so he could get some much needed rest at night. Hines promised, but to Herring it seemed that the visits were longer if anything. So he decided to put a stop to the whole thing. He ordered Hines to stay away from his house. Wednesday night Hines met up with his dearly beloved intended and accompanied her home, and hung over the yard fence and talked to her for a long time. The second chapter came yesterday morning when a warrant was swon out against Hines before Justice Bornemann charging him with trespass. At the trial Herring and his wife testified that Hines trespassed upon their premises Wednesday evening. Hines denied going upon the property, but admitted talking over the fence to the girl. He suggested that the girl be brought in as a witness in his favor. A compromise was soon effected, the prosecutor agreeing to pay one-half of the costs and the defendant the other. However, the "old man" is relentless and again notified Hines that he must not come to his house again.

ARRESTS IN NOVEMBER.

The Monthly Report of Chief of Police N. J. Williams.

Chief of Police N. J. Williams has made out his report for the month of November and the same will be presented to both the Police and Fire Commission and the Board of Aldermen at their next meeting. The report shows that during the month 122 arrests were made, 63 white and 59 colored, on the following charges: Drunkenness, 24 whites and 16 colored; disorderly conduct, 10 whites and 12 colored; resisting an officer ,one colored; violating sanitary ordinance, three colored; assault, two colored; gambling, one colored; vagrants, four whites and two colored; selling whiskey, 17 whites and five colored; violating tax ordinance, four whites and one colored; larceny, one white and six colored; highway robbery, one colored; assault with deadly weapon, one white and five colored; receiving stolen goods, two whites; affray, four colored.

FUNERAL OF MR. BELLAMY.

Services From First Presbyterian Church This Morning.

The funeral services of the late Marsden Bellamy, Sr., Esq., will be held from the First Presbyterian Church at 11 o'clock this morning, conducted by Rev. Dr. John M. Wells, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery. The members of the bar of the county will attend the services in a body, assembling at the Court House at 10 o'clock. Many friends called at the grief-stricken home yesterday and offered condolences to the bereaved ones.

Athletic Practice Today.

Preliminary practices for the athletic meet on Saturday, December 12th will be held at League Park this afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock. The exhibition will be known as an inter-school meet, participated in by boys from the three graded schools. Of great interest is the contest between 10 or 15 boys of Hemenway school and a like number from Union school. The High School boys will compete among themselves.

Off for Southport.

Twenty Odd Fellows, composing a team from Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, of this city, left on the steamer Madeleine yesterday afternoon for Southport, where last night they took part in the initiation of 23 candidates into Atlantic Lodge there. The local Odd Fellows will be well entertained by the Southport Odd Fellows and will return to the city some time today.

TWO SCHOONERS STRANDED

Four-Master on Frying Pan Shoals and Mary A. Hall Aground Just Inside Cape Fear Bar—Subsequently Floated.

With the revenue cutter Seminole away on the first of her regular Winter cruises along the coast, the local tug boats were quite busy yesterday with requests for assistance and reports from two marine casualties off this immediate coast, the four-masted schooner Marie Palmer, 1,495 tons, Capt. Chaney, from New York to Savannah with cargo of fertilizers, having stranded the night before on Frying Pan shoals, and the three-masted schooner Mary A. Hall, 341 tons, Capt. Haskell, from Jacksonville, Fla., to Boston, having grounded on No. 5 Shoal, just inside the Cape Fear bar, early yesterday afternoon while making port under her own sail for stores.

The Hall was subsequently floated by the tugs Alexander Jones and Sea King early last night and towed into Southport for harbor by the latter, the Jones at once returning to the assistance of the Palmer on Frying Pan and the Sea King having left a little later to assist the Jones and the tug Edgar F. Coney, of Brunswick, Ga., which had the Palmer in tow when she struck Frying Pan. The weather is very favorable and it is believed the Palmer is in no immediate danger, though when she started on her tow, she had been in Lookout Bight several days in a leaking condition.

The Palmer is the largest four-master on the coast and she has a cargo of 2,740 tons of fertilizers for Savannah. While proceeding in tow of the Coney before day yesterday morning she struck the east side of the shoals, near the Knuckle Buoy, about 13 miles from Cape Fear bar and only a few miles from the scene of the schooner Eleazer W. Clark, which was a total wreck only a short time ago. It is believed that the absence of the flash light buoy, which has been out of commission for some time and which was so largely responsible for the wreck of the Clark, is also responsible for the present stranding of the Palmer.

The first news of the stranding reached the city in a telephone message over the private wire of the Wilmington Towing Co., from Capt. Chaney who was put ashore back of Bald Head Island by the tug Coney yesterday morning, the tug returning to the schooner at once after summoning assistance. The Jones and Sea King had proceeded to the rescue of the Palmer when they came upon the Hall, just inside the bar, and stopped to pull her off. After completing this work, both proceeded last night in search of the Palmer, though it is thought that with the assistance of the Coney, she may have floated on high tide yesterday afternoon and proceeded. Reports from Southport last night were that the schooner Hall would likely proceed to Wilmington today and discharge part of her cargo before proceeding on her voyage. It was stated that she was damaged very little, if any, by reason of her stranding.

The tugs are expected to reach the Palmer early this morning, unless she has proceeded, and as the weather conditions are favorable, they expect to bring her into Southport during the day. The crew is in no peril as the Brunswick tug is standing by .

The following Associated Press dispatch was received last night:

Beaufort, N. C., Dec. 2.—The revenue cutters Seminole and Onandaga have been notified of the stranding of the schooner Marie Palmer and are now on the way to the ship. These with three Wilmington tugs and the Coney, which was towing the Palmer, will, it is said, more than likely float the vessel tonight. The wind is on the southern board which is in favor of the Palmer.

A wireless message received at 7:15 P. M. from the revenue cutter Seminole states she has a line on the Palmer and expects to float her tonight and probably will take her into Southport.

WILMINGTON M. E. CHURCHES.

Pastors Changed at Conference Will Move Next Week.

It is gratifying to his many friends in Wilmington that Rev. W. L. Rexford, who has been pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church for the allotted four years, will labor among the people of this city for another conference year, though, of course, at a different church. As is known, he was appointed to the pastorate of Bladen Street Methodist Church, succeeding Rev. W. E. Hocutt, who goes to Roper in the Elizabeth City district. Mr. Rexford will formally end his work at Trinity Church Sunday night, preaching at 7:30 o'clock. The pulpit will be filled in the morning by Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, the presiding elder. Mr. Hocutt will preach his last sermons at Bladen Street Church Sunday and will leave next Wednesday for his new charge. Mr. Rexford will move to the Bladen Street parsonage on Thursday and Rev. E. R. Welch, the new pastor of Trinity church, will move his family here from Holly Springs, in the Fayetteville district, on Thursday and will occupy his pulpit on the following Sunday. All of the pulpits affected by these changes will be occupied on Sunday, December 12th, by the new pastors. Mr. Hocutt and family have made many warm friends in Wilmington, all of whom regret that they are to move away but they carry with them the very best wishes of hundreds of friends both in and out of the congregation.

WRIGHTSVILLE HONOR ROLL.

Students Who Achieved Distinction During the Past Month.

The following is a list of the students of the Wrightsville Public School on the honor roll for the month of November:

First Grade—Fannie Northrop, Dainie Lawhorne, Jacob Bloom.

Second Grade—Retta Stokley, Carrie Taylor, Daisy Lawhorne, Harris Northrop, Bessie Bloom.

Third Grade—Ralph Piner.

Fourth Grade—Eugene Sellars.

Fifth Grade—Fannie Lawhorne, Fannie Mason, Ella Piner, Sophie Northrop.

Sixth Grade—Mamie Roberts.

Seventh Grade—Clarence Rogers.

TALK OF INCREASING TAX

Some Favor Higher License for Privilege of Selling Near-Beer—Matter May Come Up Before The Aldermen.

Evidently for the purpose of decreasing the number of near-beer saloons, a movement has been set on foot to secure the passage by the Aldermen, at their meeting Monday night, an ordinance requiring dealers to pay a higher license tax than is now exacted for the privilege of dispensing the "near" article, provided such action can be legally taken at this time.

It has been talked on the streets for the last few days that several citizens and probably one or two members of the Board of Aldermen have been considering the advisibility of asking for an increased tax on near-bear dealers, but no one seemed to know just who was behind the movement. It is certain that the matter has not been discussed with all of the Aldermen and it would be hard to forecast the action of that body in the event there is a request for an increased tax. There are some citizens who are of the opinion that the Aldermen have not the right to change the tax until the end of the fiscal year, they having passed an ordinance at the beginning of the year providing for annual tax of $100. There are others who contend that the Aldermen can rescind the ordinance at any time they see fit and can either impose a higher tax or prohibit sale altogether as in their judgment seems best. It is understood that those favoring a higher tax will consult attorneys before bringing the matter to the attention of the aldermen as a body.

The decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Charlotte vs. Dannenburg, holding that a municipality can impose a tax of $1,000 on near-beer dealers, as was done in this case, was valid, was learned of here with much interest, especially by those concerned in requesting an increased tax for saloons in Wilmington.

It has not been stated how much increase the Aldermen will be asked to make in the tax, but some think that the board will be asked to make it $1,000 a year while others are of the opinion that a tax of not exceeding $500 will be asked for.

The matter may be brought up at the meeting Monday night and if it does the session will probably be a lively one.

CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS.

Believed That Congress Will Favor Park at Fort Fisher.

Those behind the movement to have Fort Fisher made a National park, believe that the prospects of favorable action at the coming Congress are exceedingly roseate. They confidently express the belief that they will experience little difficulty in having a bill passed providing for the purchase of the fort and the establishment of the park. General N. M. Curtis, of New York, president of the association, and Rev. J. A. Smith, of this city, first vice president, will meet in Washington next week and work in the interest of the measure. It is said that the bill will have the solid support of the North Carolina and New York delegations in Congress. Vice President Sherman and Senator Elihu Root were speakers at the reunion of the Blue and Gray held in Utica, N. Y., some weeks ago and it is thought that both these gentlemen are heartily in favor of converting the fort into a National park.

A reunion of the Blue and Gray will likely be held in this city next Spring. Rev. J. A. Smith has recently received a letter from Mr. B. F. Seelye, of Utica, in which the writer quotes General Curtis as saying that he felt confident that Congress would pass a bill calling for a park at Fort Fisher. Mr. Seelye is the Union soldier who captured Mr. Smith at Fort Fisher. He expects to visit Mr. Smith here in February.

BERT KITE APPOINTED.

Will be Player-Manager of the Sailor Crew Next Season.

Mr. R. H. Gwaltney, manager of the Wilmington baseball team, returned yesterday morning from Godsboro, where Wednesday night he attended a meeting of the directors of the Eastern Carolina Baseball League. He stated that he had appointed Bert Kite player-manager of the Sailors for next season. The selection meets the approval of all local fans. Mr. Kite is a good baseball player with a fine knowledge of players. He will go North within a few days to select his players for the coming season.

The following Associated Press telegram was received last night:

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 2.—The moving spirits in the Wilson Athletic Association, owners of the franchise in the Eastern Carolina Baseball League, seem unanimous in their intention to dispose of this city's franchise. The lengthened season of 110 games forecasts a disastrous financial season and Wilson with Goldsboro, will probably be out of the league next year. This will give Durham the much-sought for opportunity of getting into the league next season, with probably some other Eastern Carolina town.

Mr. J. J. Blair Acting Principal.

In addition to his other duties, Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city graded schools, is acting principal of Hemenway High School until a successor of the late and lamented Prof. Wingate Underhill is secured. It is difficult at this time of year to secure a person for the position, the teachers being already engaged for the year. It is understood that Mr. Blair has been in correspondence with a number of persons and that a selection may be made before the opening of the Spring term.

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MR. W. F. PARKER DEAD

Prominent Enfield Citizen Passed Away Last Night.

Mr. Oscar Pearsall received a telegram last night conveying to him the sad intelligence of the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. W. F. Parker, which occurred at his home in Enfield, Halifax county, at 8 o'clock last night. Mr. Parker, who was one of the most prominent and successful planters and merchants of Halifax county, suffered a stroke of paralysis Monday night from which he never rallied. He had a large number of friends in Wilmington who will be pained to learn of his death.

Mr. Parker was a son of Mr. James H. Parker, for a long time sheriff of Halifax county, and was about 65 years old. He left college to enter the service of his State, joining the famous Scotland Neck Cavalry, an independent organization, of which he afterwards became lieutenant. He was elected treasurer of his county several terms, although the county at the time was largely Republican. His popularity in the county was so great that the Republican party did not nominate a candidate to oppose him. Later he represented his county several terms in the Legislature, his last term being served while George Rountree, Esq., and Mr. Martin Willard, of this city, were representatives of New Hanover county.

It is regarded as a singular coincidence that two members of the famous Scotland Neck Cavalry should have died in this section within 24 hours' time and from the same cause, Mr. Marsden Bellamy, who passed away Thursday night, being the first member of the organization.

Mr. Parker is survived by his wife. His only daughter died about a year ago. The funeral services will probably be held tomorrow. Mr. Pearsall will leave today to attend.

IMPORTANT MEETING TODAY

Committee on Custom House From Two Commercial Organizations.

An important meeting of the committees from the Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Wilmington Club will be held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of considering finally the question of making representations to the government in the matter of a site for the Custom House. It is likely that at this meeting the question will be finally disposed of so far as these organizations are concerned. All citizens interested in the matter before the committees are requested to be present, express their views and advise with the committees as to the best methods of proceeding. All will be welcome.

MEETING OF COUNTY BAR.

Members to Attend Funeral of Mr. Bellamy in a Body.

E. S. Martin, Esq., dean of the bar of the county, has called a meeting of that body to be held in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court at 10 o'clock this morning to take action relative to the death of County Attorney Marsden Bellamy and to attend the funeral services in a body. The officers of the Court House will be closed from 10:30 to 2 o'clock and the officers will attend the funeral services. As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the flag on the Court House was flying at half mast yesterday.

CHRISTMAS SALE TODAY.

Under Auspices Ministering Circle of King's Daughters.

The Christmas sale of the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters will be held this afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. P. L. Bridgers, corner Third and Dock streets.

A beautiful variety of fancy articles will be on sale, including numbers of unique creations of this kind. There will also be pickles and mince meat. The sale promises to be one of the most interesting of the many Christmas bazaars in the city. The public is cordially invited to attend.

DR. MacMILLAN RETURNED.

Has Been in Raleigh With Very Sick Grandchild, Now Better.

Dr. W. D. MacMillan, who has been in Raleigh since last Friday on account of the critical illness of his grand-daughter, little Margaret Matthews, returned home last evening. He left the child much improved. She has diphtheria in its most malignant form. Mrs. MacMillan will remain in Raleigh with her daughter, Mrs. Matthews, until there is still further improvement in the condition of the patient.

The Recorder's Court.

Since the trials of the alleged "blind tigers" last week there has been very little doing in the Recorder's court. The Recorder and the Clerk and other court officers meet, one or two trivial cases are heard and adjournment is taken within a few minutes. Yesterday there were three trivial cases for His Honor's consideration. Wm. McDuffie, colored, was tried on the charge of assault with deadly weapon, towit, a coffee pot, on his son, but was found not guilty. Richmond Jones and Gilbert Wingate, aged negro men, had imbibed too freely and were called to answer the charge of drunkenness. The Recorder had mercy on them and let them off upon the payment of the costs.

Held Annual Meeting.

The Police Relief Club, composed of the members of the Wilmington police department, held its annual meeting at the City Hall Wednesday afternoon and elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, Sergeant H. W. Howell; vice president, Sergeant C. W. Woolard; recording secretary, Patrolman C. A. Bradshaw; financial secretary and treasurer, Capt. G. W. Smith. The next meeting will be held in January.

Initiation Followed by Smoker.

There was a large and enthusiastic attendance at last night's meeting of Jefferson Lodge, No. 61, Knights of Pythias. The rank of Esquire was conferred on a number of candidates for Clarendon Lodge, No. 2, following which a much enjoyed smoker was given, at which several impromptu speeches were made. There were a number of visitors from other lodges in the city and all had a most delightful time.

HONNET'S NEW PLACE.

Thousands of Delighted People Visited Store Yesterday.

Decidedly one of the prettiest and most up-to-date establishments of its kind in the State is the new store of Honnet, the jeweler, No. 12 North Front street, which threw open its doors to the public yesterday and was thronged all day with delighted shoppers. Just now the firm is in the midst of its holiday trade and the new store, which is a perfect dream of handsome mahogany show cases and plate glass mirrors, presented a picture of rare beauty and elegance. The opening will continue today and tomorrow and those who have not had occasion to see the new store in all its completeness and elegance, should take the opportunity of calling and seeing for themselves what a handsome place has been provided in Wilmington. The holiday stock is now arriving and no busier place can be found in Wilmington but the clever proprietors of the store are never too busy to show interested spectators through.

Will Address Men's Meeting.

Rev. T. J. Brown, of Louisville, Ky., who is conducting a series of meetings at the Christian Church, will speak to men in the Bijou theatre Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., and the men of the city are invited to attend. Mr. Brown will use as his subject, "From Prison to Throne." Illustrated hymns will be sung.

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MUST ENFORCE THE LAW.

Chief Williams Gives Additional Instructions to His Men.

Feeling that many people of the city were under the impression that the police were not heartily in favor of the movement to stamp out the "blind tigers," Chief of Police N. J. Williams has addressed the following communication to his men:

"The Members of the Police Department:

"There seems to be an impression with some people at least that some of the members of the police force are indifferent to the enforcement of the prohibition law. Why this impression has gone abroad I am unable to state. I have instructed the police officers several times to do all in their power to secure information concerning the alleged sale of whiskey in the city. I have also stated emphatically that any member of the police department who is not willing to do all in his power to help enfroce this law is not the proper person to be a member of the police force. The mere fact that you have been instructed not to visit near-beer saloons is no excuse for your becoming indifferent to the enforcement of the above mentioned law. The instructions as given have been intended for your good and the good of the department. In other words, officers should not vitis places nor show any familiarity with people conducting establishments that are supposed to be selling whiskey. At the time the instructions were issued I deemed that I had made myself sufficiently plain with reference to the enforcement of the prohibition law by officers. Officers should be diligent in every respect. They should demonstrate to the people that as far as is in their power they will check every violation of the prohibition law which comes to their notice. As I have stated to you before, I am ready and willing to render all assistance within my power in the desire to help you in your work. I repeat, as I have stated before, that if I find any member of the police force who is not willing to enforce the prohibition law, or becomes indifferent to the enforcement of said law, I shall exert every endeavor to have such officer, or officers, removed from the department.

"I have made the above statement because I feel it incumbent upon me to take special notice of the conduct of officers, so that I may be in a position to communicate to the proper persons in authority when you fail in your duty. "N J. WILLIAMS,

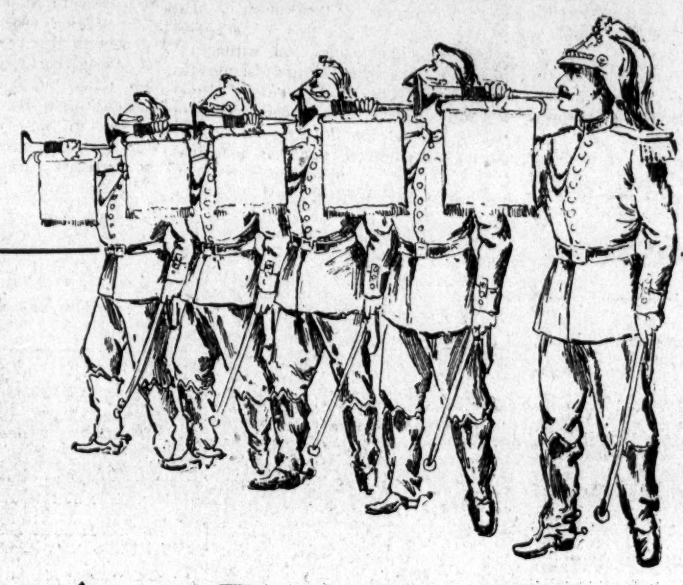
"Chief of Police."

FOR THE POOR AND NEEDY.

Salvation Army Hopes to Send Out Over 400 Baskets.

Through the instrumentality of the local post of the Salvation Army the hearts of many of the poor of the city will be gladdened during the Christmas season. Preparations are being made to distribute four hundred or more baskets of provisions among those of the city who would not otherwise enjoy a real Christmas. The Salvation Army will greatly appreciate any contributions of clothing, provisions or cash. Those who desire to contribute something to this worthy cause are requested to communicate with the Army headquarters and some one will be sent to receive the contributions. A number of copies of The War Cry, the official organ of the Army, have been received and a copy will be placed in each basket sent to the poor.

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste makes it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. Robt. R. Bellamy.



An Invitation

Is Herewith Extended to the Public To Visit The

New Jewelry Store

Exhibition Days:

December 1st - December 2nd

¶ Our wares are now spread and upon full display, comprising a notable collection of elegant merchandise of especial interest to Christmas shoppers.

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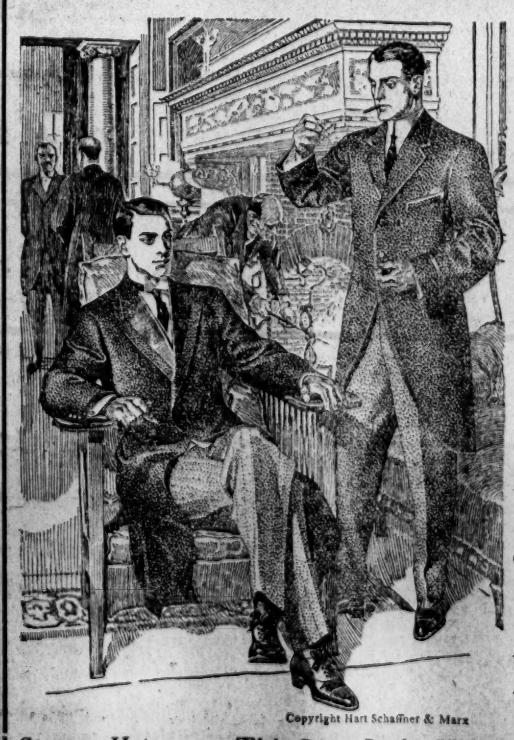

YOU are invited to share in the fruits of our efforts in providing the best clothes in the world for the use of the men of this town.

Hart Schaffner & Marx

made the clothes for us; we selected the fabrics and models from a great wealth of rich weaves and patterns, and from a large variety of good models.

There are no other such clothes to be had here or anywhere else; they're simply best; that's all.

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Stetson Hats. This Store Is the Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Miss Mary Payne is visiting relatives and friends in and around Baltimore, Md.

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Mrs. B. A. Doughtery has returned to her home in Washington, D. C., after a pleasant visit to friends in this city.

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Miss May Beverly and Miss Eliza French returned yesterday from a very pleasant visit of two weeks to New York.

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Wednesday's Asheville Citizen: "Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. McDonald have returned to their home in Wilmington after a visit of several weeks to relatives and friends in the city."

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The regular meeting of the Home Science Department of the North Carolina Sorosis will be held in the library room this afternoon at 4 o'clock promptly. A full attendance is desired.

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Mrs. Frazier Glenn and two children and Mrs. Calvin A. Walker and little son, of Asheville, arrived Wednesday night to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Farmer, No. 11 North Eighth street, parents of Mesdames Glenn and Walker.

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Friends of Mrs. Kenneth McCaskill, of Atkinson, N. C., will regret to know that she is quite critically ill at her home at Atkinson. She was taken to St. Luke's Hospital in Fayetteville several weeks ago, but her case did not respond to treatment as her friends had hoped and she returned to Atkinson last Saturday.

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The Christmas bazaar held at the Boys' Brigade Armory, corner Second and Church streets, Wednesday night and last night under the auspices of the ladies of Fifth Street Methodist Church was a great success in every way and the ladies realized a neat sum which will go to the fund to repair the interior of the church. While the crowd was not as large last night as on the preceding night many sales were made and those present had a most delightful time.

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Friends out of the city have received handsomely engraved invitations, bearing the following announcement:

Mr. Norman James Northam
requests the honor of your presence
at the marriage of his daughter
Ophelia Crawford
to
Mr. Lester Lamb Newell
on the evening of Wednesday, the
eighth of December
nineteen hundred and nine
at six o'clock
at home, Wilmington, North Carolina.
At Home
after December twentieth
Wrightsville, N. C.

The announcement will come with interest to many friends in Wilmington and elsewhere, the prospective groom and the bride-elect being very popular. No cards have been issued in the city and the ceremony will be a quiet home service, attended only by relatives and the most intimate personal friends of the couple.

STRONG, PRACTICAL SERMON.

"Short Yard Stick" Subject of Mr. Brown's Discourse.

At the Christian Church last night Rev. J. T. Brown preached one of the most earnest and practical sermons that he has delivered since the series of meetings began. He was heard by a large and most attentive congregation, using as his subject, "The Short Yard Stick," dealing with the unfair methods that are practiced by many persons who take advantage of others in business and in all their dealings.

He began by condemning the business men, corporations and large department stores who employ girls on a salary of $1.50, $2 and $3 a week and compel them to give all their time to their employers. He said that the pay was entirely inadequate, the employers getting rich off of the labors of the poor struggling girls. The employers ought to apply the golden rule, said the speaker. He also spoke of the big corporations squeezing everybody, filling their coffers and making unhappy those under their power. He applied his thought to parents and their responsibility to their children. He said that the parents did not give children enough of their time nor all the opportunities they should. The speaker was especially plain in applying his thought to church members—those who profess to be followers of Christ and yet cheat their fellowmen. He told one interesting instance of a Cincinnati groceryman who advertised 18 pounds of sugar for $1. The merchant across the street could not sell more than 15 pounds for a dollar without losing money by the transaction. So he gave a person a dollar and sent over for 18 pounds of sugar. When weighed at the other man's store the scales showed only 14 pounds. The speaker said that that man was straight on the road to hell no matter how much his name appears on the church book. He said that there were many in church who were not doing their duty. He said that members of the church who would go elsewhere when duty calls them to church are not living up to the full requirement. In conclusion he applied his thought to Christians, saying all should measure up fully to the requirements.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Appointments of Presiding Elder Cuningim—First Round in Part.

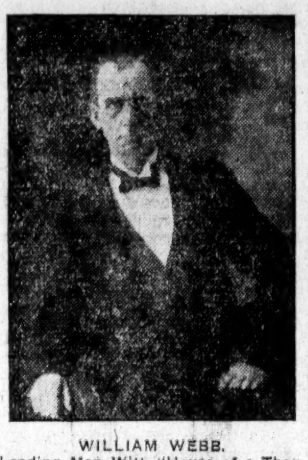
Wilmington, Trinity church, Dec. 5th, 11 A. M.
Wilmington, Fifth Street Dec. 5th, 7:30 P. M.
Columbus, Evergreen, Dec. 11th, 12 M.
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, Dec. 12th (night) and 13th.
Kenansville, Warsaw, Dec. 18th and 19th.
Wallace and Rose Hill, Wallace, Dec. 19th, 20th.
Southport, Dec. 26th and 27th.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS
POZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

The Theatre

Tomorrow for matinee and night the Academy will offer an exceptionally novel attraction, but one of the highest standard. It will be "The House of a Thousand Candles," dramatized from the well known novel of that name, and the production will be made with elaborate scenery and electrical effects. The attraction has received some flattering press notices, the Raleigh News and Observer paying it high tribute yesterday. Seats for both performances go on sale at the Crystal Palace this morning.

Because "The House of a Thousand Candles" is a strenuous play, it is not by any means a melodrama. It is in the very same class with "The Lion and the Mouse," and "The Man of the Hour" and is enjoying equally as much vogue as those famous successes. It's triumphs have been entirely due to the oddity of its plot, which is without parallel in the annals of the stage. It is altogether unusual to find a story that is at once



WILLIAM WEBB.
Leading Man With "House of a Thousand Candles.

weird, fascinating, thrilling, and decidedly amusing. All of these elements have simply made "The House of a Thousand Candles" the drama of the season, and it is doubtful if any of the so-called book plays are enjoying the vogue that is being accorded Meredith Nicholson's delightful story. The dramatization is satisfying in every way because those who have read the novel find the same characters which they have pictured on the stage while all the incidents which are so vividly described in its fascinating chapters, are seen back of the footlights, with even more sharpness.

The Big and Merry Minstrels.

Al G. Field and his Greater Minstrels are with us again and the big organization of fun makers and melody delineators will be at the Academy next Tuesday night. Al G. Field has never announced a farewell tour and there is no indication that he will, yet this season marks his twenty-fourth consecutive year in this style of entertainment and his success seems more pronounced than ever. Field has outclassed all rivals; it is safe to say that his production more clearly represents real minstrelsy than any similar organization now on tour.

Numerous interesting features, all new; a company of talented singers and dancers; comedians who were born to make the world laugh, a scenic production of indescribable grandeur make the Field show this season one of the best the veteran minstrel has ever staged. The first part will be costumed in the usual gorgeous manner of the Field productions.

New Programme at the Palace.

Yesterday the semi-weekly change of programme was presented at the Crystal Palace and it is said to have delighted all present. Large audiences were played to both matinee and night and the different acts received hearty applause. This change of bill will hold forth for the rest of the week.

The bill for next week will be especially delightful and the management has something extra up its sleeve, which will be announced in ample time.

At the Bijou Today.

"The Mexican's Revenge" and "A Dull Knife" are the titles of the pictures that will be shown at the Bijou theatre today. The former is a delightful love story of Southern California with an intensely dramatic episode which holds breathless attention, but from which the hero is extricated in sensational fashion to form a happy conclusion. The second is a lively little comedy and becomes funnier every instant.

Attraction Drew Capacity House.

"Polly of the Circus", which held the boards at the Academy of Music last night, playing to a capacity house, breaking all previous records for the season, was without a doubt one of the best attractions seen at the local playhouse this Fall. Having had several musical comedies in hand running the theatre-going public were anxious for a change, and besides they had been assured in advance of the undisputed merits of "Polly of the Circus". The play fulfilled the expectations of all and round after round of applause showed how well pleased was the audience. "Polly of the Circus" is a drama as original as it is refreshing, telling the story of the old romance of a pretty little circus girl rider and a village pastor in the Middle West. All the characters were well taken. The leading man, Yale, and the leading woman, Fay Wallace, were splendid and they had good support. Two scenes of the last act were especially pleasing to the audience. In the first scene was shown the dressing room of the circus, with all the performers, and the second scene showed the circus itself in actual performance, the acrobats, clowns, ponies, trick donkey, horse, etc. The show carries three ponies, a trick donkey and a horse as well as circus performers. Theatre-goers here would welcome a return engagement of "Polly of the Circus."

LOCAL DOTS.

—The Sheriff's office will be closed from 10:30 A. M. to 2 P. M. today on account of the funeral of the late County Attorney Marsden Bellamy.

—The City Board of Health will meet in regular monthly session in the Mayor's office at the City Hall at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

—The recently organized Saturday Club of the Y. M. C. A. will meet at the Y. M. C. A. building tomorrow morning for the purpose of electing officers and for the transaction of any business that may come before the club.

—In Justice G. W. Bornemann's court yesterday morning William McDuffie, colored, was tried on a peace warrant sworn out by his wife. During the progress of the trial it developed that the defendant had been tried in the Recorder's court on the charge of striking his son and there were other circumstances which tended to show that the old man was being persecuted. The action was dismissed at cost of prosecutor. Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Among the guests at The Orton yesterday were: A. E. Walt, Conway, S. C.; A. F. Mitchell, Florence, S. C.; Geo. F. Fisher and C. D. Kellenberger, Greensboro; B. C. Glass, Maxton.

FUNERAL OF MRS. GLENN.

Services From the Late Residence Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Mrs. Virginia Glenn, wife of Mr. Lucio Glenn, whose death occurred Wednesday morning, was held from the family residence, 712 Walnut street at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. L. Rexford. There were present many relatives and friends. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery. The pallbearers were as follows: Messrs. E. A. Orrell, S. W. Aman, J. C. Thomas and Horner Blake.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Fred Sadgwar and wife to Elsie M. Cowan, of Philadelphia, for $110, 20 acres of land in Cape Fear township, adjoining the lands of Wm. Bradley, Albert Johnson and others; Wm. J. Love and wife to Eva L. Love, for $10 and other considerations, lot on west side of Front, 198 feet south of Ann street, 50x160 feet in size; Winter Park Gardens Company to Mrs. C. C. Brown, for $10 and other considerations, lots 4 and 5 of Winter Park Gardens town site. The purchaser agrees to erect on the property prior to October 1st, 1910, a $1,750 residence.

Store Entered by Robber.

Mr. J. R. Ruark, who conducts a store at corner of 11th and Market streets, reported to the police yesterday that some one entered his place of business Wednesday night and stole $5 from the cash register. Entrance was effected through a rear window. The officers are at work on the case.

THIEF'S UNUSUAL PLEA.

Stricken With Poverty Couldn't See Family Suffer.

Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 2.—Declaring that he stole rather than desert his poverty stricken wife and children or commit suicide and asking for justice rather than mercy, John Ellsworth who robbed the safe of Schuyler Ranier, of Florence, of $2,700 and then fled to Chicago where he was arrested, stood before Judge Horner in court here today and was sentenced to five years in the State prison.

"I was poverty stricken for a year," said Ellsworth addressing the court before sentence was pronounced, "having been able to pick up only a dollar now and then. After I learned I had robbed two old people of all the money they had in the world I said I would give back all I had left. This I have done.

"I pleaded guilty to vindicate William L. Hamilton, who was arrested for this crime and held under bail. My sympathy went out to him and his family.

"When I started out there were just three things to do—desert my family, provide for it, or commit suicide. I chose to provide and this spark of humanity resulted in placing me here today. A friend had promised to give me employment after I have served sentence for this crime and when I get out of jail I propose to lead an upright life.

"I feel that I have acted the part of a man toward everybody injured by the robbery. All I want is justice, not mercy for myself. Rainer and Hamilton have forgiven me, and there is nothing left to satisfy except the law."

WARE-KRAMER AFFAIRS.

Schedule of Liabilities and Assets of Defunct Corporation.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 2.—The Ware-Kramer Tobacco Company's schedule of liabilities and assets in the involuntary bankruptcy proceedings instituted some time ago against the concern by Brooklyn creditors, has been filed in the United States Court here. The schedule shows total liabilities to be $137,333,400 with assets placed at $1,399,737, this including the $1,000,000 suit in which the Ware-Kramer Company claims punitive damages from the American Tobacco Company and the Wells-Whitehead Tobacco Company for alleged acts injurious to the business of plaintiff in violation of the anti-trust laws. Of the $137,334 inliabilities $52,434 are in secured claims and $84,899 in unsecured claims.

DENMARK PRINCESS DYING.

Was Formerly Maria, Princess of Orleans.

Copenhagen, Dec. 2.—Princess Waldemar, wife of the youngest son of the late King Christian, it was announced tonight is dying. She has recently been suffering from influenza, but her illness took a serious turn Wednesday night when she lapsed into unconsciousness. She has remained in that state ever since and all the members of the royal family have been summoned.

Prince Waldemar, her husband, with his three sons, is traveling in India for which he departed on November 12th last. Princess Waldemar before her marriage in 1885, was Marie, Princess of Orleans.

Headache 10 Years

You Can Be Cured

If you are willing to learn by the experience of others, you can be cured of your womanly troubles, just as Mrs. Luther Guthrie of Beaufort, N. C. was. Her husband writes:

"My wife suffered with the headache for ten (10) years and nothing did her any good.

"I have spent three hundred dollars for doctors' bills but one bottle of Cardui has done her more good than everything else she took.

"If she were to be back where she was six months ago, and I could not get a bottle of Cardui except by paying $500 for it, I would pay it.

"My wife has now taken two bottles of Cardui and it has already done her two thousand dollars worth of good. Cardui is the only medicine I can trust. I don't think I can praise it half as much as it is worth."

If you want confirmation, write Mr. Guthrie yourself. He will tell you that these are facts.

Lady! If you are weak, or sick, do not delay. Try Cardui today. Some people read ads many times, before deciding to buy. Don't do that with Cardui. Drop in at the drug store today and get a bottle.

Cardui is a gentle tonic that will gently help you back to health and strength.

Purely vegetable, harmless, always reliable. Try it.

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CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

KILLED AT GEORGETOWN.

Young Man Fatally Wounded While Duck Hunting.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 2.—A very deplorable accident occurred near here late yesterday resulting in the death of one of Georgetown's most prominent and promising young men, Mr. Arthur F. Ward, son of Col. S. M. Ward.

Mr. Ward, in company with several of his young friends, were out duck shooting yesterday up on the Santee river and from what can be learned of the accident by his companions it appears that Mr. Ward was trying to pull a small canoe across the marshes. Mr. Ward left his gun in the canoe with the barrel resting on the side of the boat pointing toward him and by some unknown means the gun slipped and fell to the bottom of the boat, striking the hammer on the floor and discharging. The load penetrated the side of the boat and entered Mr. Ward's leg just an inch or two below the joint of the thigh to the body.

His companions were about 100 yards away from him and when they reached the scene Mr. Ward was unconscious. He was immediately brought back to the city by his young friends in their gasoline launch and medical aid was summoned. The launch reached the Baltimore & Carolina Steamship Company's dock about 6 o'clock and as soon as Mr. Ward had gained sufficient strength he was taken from the boat and carried to his home. The wound last night, however serious, was not thought to be fatal, but it now appears that the main artery in the leg was cut and death resulted last night.

Mr. Ward was considered one of Georgetown's most promising and prominent young men. He held an important and responsible position with the Atlantic Coast Lumber Corporation here in the paymaster's office. In the death of this young man the community has sustained an irreparable loss and to the bereaved family the deepest sympathy is extended.

THE BRADYS BOUND OVER.

Held in Thousand Dollar Bonds at Whiteville Yesterday.

Sheriff J. J. Knox and Deputy Sheriff G. F. Willetts, of Brunswick county, arrived in the city on the early morning train today, bringing with them J. W. Brady, Shade Bullard, Horace Brady and O. W. Brady, the white men from the Green Swamp section of the county, charged with secret and wilful injury to personal property of the Waccamaw Lumber Co., and some of them with secret assault with intent to kill upon some of the employes of the company, upon a bench warant issued some time ago by Judge Lyon at Lumberton, upon affidavit of Solicitor Sinclair. They were given a hearing yesterday by Judge Lyon and were committed in default of $1,000 bond for their appearance at next term of Brunswick Superior Court. They were represented yesterday by William J. Bellamy, Esq., of Wilmington, while the prosecution was represented by Solicitor Sinclair, Lyon & Greer and D. J. Lewis, of Whiteville. Sheriff Knox and Deputy Willetts will leave with the prisoners this morning for Southport.

ARGUMENT IN BATTLE TRIAL

Case Goes to Jury Today—Closing Speeches.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 2.—In the trial of Lee H. Battle, in the Federal Court, all of today was consumed in the two crucial arguments to jury between District Attorney Holton and Charles M. Stedman, the latter closing for the defence at 5 o'clock.

Judge Boyd will deliver his charge to the jury tomorrow morning. The outcome is awaited with much interest.

CREW OF DERELICT.

Men From Lost German Steamer Are Landed at Cape Henry.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 2.—Mate Nicholas and four men from the lost German steamer Brewster, who first announced the disaster through wireless from Diamond Shoals lightship, were landed at Cape Henry today by the steamer Hermod, en route to Baltimore.

THE CYPRESS COMING

Undocked Yesterday at Charleston Navy Yard—The Lights.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 2.—The buoy tender Cypress of the Sixth light house district, was undocked today at the Charleston navy yard, where the big vessel had her engines overhauled and her hull given attention by the mechanics of the government plant. The vessel is now said to be in better condition than ever before. The work was to have been done at the Washington naval station, but the first orders were rescinded and the tender was sent to her home station to have the work done. Capt. J. H. Hetherington, U. S. N., retired, inspector of the district, was an interesting witness of the undocking of the vessel.

The Cypress took aboard coal today and will sail tomorrow for Georgetown. Cape Fear and Wilmington where special work on the buoys and at light stations awaits her.

BIG FIRE IN BALTIMORE.

Several Buildings Fire Sweep Entailing Loss of $300,000.

Baltimore, Dec. 2.—Fire broke out late this evening in the building No. 104 South Sharp street, within a block and a half of the point of origin of the great fire of 1904. It spread rapidly and within a short time had done damage estimated at about $300,000.

In its spread the fire involved the establishments of the C. J. Peed Shoe Company and the Spear Brother's Company, shoes; McCaddin and McElwee, house furnishings, and firms occupying the upper floors of 100 and 102 Sharp street. The flames jumped across an alley in the rear and gained a momentary foothold in the big building occupied by the R. M. Sutton Company, dry goods and notions.

WASHINGTON'S PICTURE.

Not Good Likeness Removed From N. Y. City Hall.

New York, Dec. 2.—After hanging in New York's City Hall for 50 years, a $10,000 picture of George Washington has been pronounced inartistic and ordered removed to an obscure corner by the municipal art commission.

The portrait is in delicate needle work, embroidered on silk and was made by the women of Lyons, France, who presented it to the city sixty years ago.

The municipal art commission declares that the portrait, which is a copy of a Stuart painting, is not a good likeness of the first President.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Hopes to Raise $200,000 During Present Month—Sage.

New York, Dec. 2.—The American Bible Society hopes to raise $200,000 during the present month to complete a $500,000 fund which it must have in its treasury by December 31 in order to receive a like amount from Mrs. Russell Sage for an endowment fund.

Subscriptions received this week included the largest and the smallest single contributions so far acknowledged.

Both gifts were from women, one being for $25,000 from an anonymous donor and the other for ten cents from a poor woman in Georgia.

PROMINENT M. E. DEAD.

Robert R. Doherty Succumbs to Pneumonia at Jersey City.

New York, Dec. 2.—Robert R. Doherty, a prominent official in the national organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is dead of pneumonia at his home in Jersey City. He was sixty-two years old.

Mr. Doherty was one of the founders of the Epworth League and editor of the Sunday School Journal and a former editor of The New York Christian Advocate.

Howard Camnitz, the noted Pittsburg pitcher, who is spending some weeks with his parents at Hustonville, Ky., yesterday declined to join the all-star American Ball Players in a series of 12 games in Cuba. Camnitz has been suffering from a severe attack of quincy.

THE NATIONAL RED CROSS.

President Taft Names Endowment Fund Committee—President Taft.

Washington, Dec. 2.—For the purpose of providing an organization capable of administering properly the funds received by the American Red Cross Society for relief work, President Taft has named an endowment fund committee with Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and his assistant, Charles D. Norton, who is treasurer of the Red Cross, as chairman and vice chairman, respectively.

A New York subcommittee consisting of the following prominent men also has been appointed: Robert Bacon, Charles Hallum Keep, Lloyd C. Griscom, H. P. Davison and Felix Warburg. Sub-committees in other cities also will be named shortly.

In making the appointments President Taft has addressed a letter, in part as follows to each member of the committee:

"The time has come when the American Red Cross should be placed on a permanent and efficient basis by an endowment fund whose income will enable it to be prepared at all times to carry out the purpose for which it has been created.

"The standing of this remarkable organization throughout the world, its importance to our own country and its beneficent influence for peace and good will in international relief work commend it to the public spirited men and women of the United States. I believe, gentlemen, you cannot appeal to them in vain to aid in providing the American Red Cross with an endowment fund of two million dollars, less than the funds of the societies of the other first powers, so that our national society may take its proper place in this great international institution."

LUMBER RATES

Shippers in South Carolina Petition Corporation Commission.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 2.—The railroad commission today received a ten-page typewritten complaint from Attorneys Miller, Whaley & Mitchell of Charleston, representative of score of low country lumber dealers, asking for a reduction in the rates on lumber on the ground that the present rates are unreasonable and excessive by comparison with the Georgia and Florida rates.

The commission appointed a hearing for January 4, which is Tuesday, at 11:30 A. M.

Signing the petition are several big lumber companies of Charleston and the Charleston Freight Bureau and the companies operating at Tyson, Mosedel, Hampton, Moncks Corner, Effingham and elsewhere.

WILSON SITS UP IN BED.

Surgeons Look Hopefully on Case of Navy Quarterback.

Annapolis, Dec. 2.—Midshipman Earl D. Wilson, quarterback of the Naval Academy football team, who was injured more than eight weeks ago in the game with Villanova and who has since been paralyzed from the head down, has so far improved that today he was able to sit up in bed for a short time.

The surgeons are by this fact encouraged to hope that the spinal cord, which had been compressed by the fracture of a vertebra, will finally return to its normal condition, the pressure upon it having been removed by a recent operation, and that complete recovery from the paralysis will follow.

BLIND TIGERS GUILTY.

Ninety Per Cent. of Convictions Reported From Illinois.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Ninety per cent. of the prosecutions brought in Illinois for alleged violation of the local option law has resulted in convictions, as shown by statistics presented to the anti-saloon forces, in conference by H. L. Sheldon, attorney for the Illinois Anti-Saloon League.

The information as presented by Attorney Sheldon was given as the result of a letter of inquiry sent out to the State's attorney in every county in the State.

Replies were received from 75, which showed 529 prosecutions and 479 convictions. There are now pending 250 cases.

AUTOGRAPH OF PRESIDENTS.

Collector Purchases the Complete Set of These for $930.

New York, Dec. 2.—A full set of autographs of the Presidents of the United States from Washington to Roosevelt has been purchased by a New York collector.

All the autographs are full letters signed with the exception of those of Hayes and McKinley, who are represented by manuscripts of addresses delivered by them. The price paid for the autographs was $930.

WARRINERS' PECULATIONS.

Officers Trying to Account for Treasurer's Big Shortage.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 2.—More than half of the $643,000, which Charles L. Warriner, former local treasurer of the Big Four Railroad, admits to have been stolen from the railroad cannot be accounted for. The indicted treasurer has furnished a statement which accounts for $318,000, $84,000 of which he says was lost in speculation. The inquiries of the railroad officials, detectives and lawyers have completely failed however, to substantiate this explanation.

HALF MILLION FOR TRINITY.

Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Departments to be Added.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 2.—Trinity College will be endowed with half million dollars for the institution of medical, dental and pharmaceutical departments.

The Dukes, the millionaire tobacco men, are the donors.

The Watts Hospital, a quarter million dollar institution, the gift of George W. Watts, the tobacco magnate, was opened this morning.

CHILDREN WERE CREMATED

Home at Axton, Va., Burned While Parents Were Away.

Roanoke, Va., D c. 2.—A Martinsville, Va., special says news reached there today of the burning of the home of Morrison Cabiness, of Axton, Va., and the cremating of three small children of Cabiness. The parents of the children were away from home at the time of the fire and it is not known how it started.

TAFT COMPLETES MESSAGE.

President Finishes Task and Receives Visitors.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Having completed the work upon his message President Taft began receiving Congressional visitors today. The President felt relieved when he completed the dictation.

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LUZIANNE COFFEE	BULK or Loose COFFEE
Always FRESH in its air-tight can; Always PURE; Always STRONG; Always PROPERLY BLENDED; Always of UNIFORM QUALITY; Always satisfactory.	Often stale from exposure; Often contains dust; Seldom strong; Never uniform; Haphazardly blended; Never satisfactory to any one who KNOWS what's best.
Pound-cost a little higher, but cup-cost very much lower.	Pound-cost a little lower, but cup-cost very much higher.

Make a wise man's choice between the two.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS

¶ The Latest Reports From the Important Trading Centers and From Local Dealers.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 2.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market, steady $3.55 per barrel.

TAR—Market, firm $2.00 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $2.50 per barrel for hard; $4.00 for dip and $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin steady $2.30; tar firm $1.50; crude turpentine firm $1.50; $2.00 and $2.75.

Spirits turpentine	22
Rosin	70
Tar	52
Crude turpentine	73

Receipts, same day last year 28 casks spirits turpentine; 123 barrels rosin; 173 barrels tar; 100 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Middling quiet 14 1-8 cents.

Same day last year—Quiet, 8 7-8 cents.

Receipts—570 bales, same day last year 2,378 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith Nov. 28th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@70; extra prime, 72 1-2; fancy 75@80c; Virginia, prime 65@70; extra prime 75@80s; Spanish $1.00@$1.05.

CORN—Firm 90 to 95c@P85V..ZSHRU

CORN—Firm 90@95c per bushel for mixed.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; hams 17@18c; shoulders 14@15; sides 14@15c.

EGGS—Good demand 25@26c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Spring 20@35; grown 40@45; scarce.

BEESWAX—Firm at 28c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Good demand at 2@3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDE—Dr. flint 14c; green 9c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull 40@45c per bushel for new yams.

WOOL—Burr 18c; free of burr 24c.

CHEESE—50c per head.

Pork—Small 10c per pound; large 8@9c.

SHEEP—Old no demand; Lambs, dull $1.25@$2.50.

TURKEYS—Good demand 14@15 on foot; dressed 18 to 22c.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, Dec. 2.—The cotton market was not active today but prices ruled generally steady and the close was steady at a net advance of 7 to 12 points.

The market opened steady at an advance of 5 to 12 points with most of the active months selling about 9 points higher in response to better cables than expected. Notwithstanding the strong showing of the Liverpool market, houses with Liverpool connections were considerable sellers here on the opening advance and prices, in consequence, receted 4 or 5 points from the best during the early session. Local professionals, however, considered that this selling was on straddle account and argued that offerings would become lighter after the close of the Liverpool market. This theory created some buying, and with the Southern news generally bullish offerings were well absorbed, while prices during the afternoon worked up to about or a little over the best point of the morning on recovering and moderate buying for long account. Reports of a better export demand for spot cotton in the south and rumors that the report of the National Ginners Association expected on Monday would be bullish helped the advance which carried May contracts up to 15.03. Realizing sales became heavier around this level and the close while steady was a little off from the best. Southern spot markets officially reported early were generally unchanged to 1-8c higher.

A crop estimate issued by a local statistician whose figures last year came very near the government report placed the crop at 10,863,000 bales excluding linters, but this report had little effect on the market. Private cables reported that the chief interest in Liverpool this morning was in Egyptian futures owing to reports of a short Egyptian crop.

Receipts at the ports today were 18,945 bales against 28,738 last week and 67,062 last year; for the week 220,000 bales against 207,035 last week and 463,357 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 2,156 bales against 20,545 last year, and at Houston 5,362 bales against 17,601 last year.

Spot closed quiet 5 points higher; middling uplands 14.70; middling gulf 14.95; sales 4,400 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month.	Open.	Close.
November	———	———
December	14.40	14.36
January	14.55	14.54
February	———	14.04
March	14.38	14.81
April	———	14.84
May	15.02	15.00
June	14.84	14.82
July	14.94	14.94
August	14.27-30	14.30
September	13.30	13.27
October	12.80	12.85

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Firm, 14 1-4; net receipts 8,531; stock 236,223.

New Orleans—Steady, 14 1-4; net receipts 2,157; stock 164,523.

Mobile—Steady, 14 1-4; net receipts 584; stock 40,577.

Savannah—Steady, 14 1-8; net receipts 3,914; stock 140,618.

Charleston—Firm, 14 1-8; net receipts 410; stock 37,644.

Wilmington—Quiet, 14 1-8; net receipts 570; stock 8,419.

Norfolk—Steady, 14 3-8; net receipts 2,196; stock 32,209.

Baltimore—Nominal, 14 3-8; stock 18,815.

New York—Quiet, 14.70; net receipts 100 stock 129,113.

Boston—Quiet, 14.70; net receipts 50.

Philadelphia—Steady, 14.95; net receipts 50; stock 1,155.

San Francisco—Net receipts 400.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 18,945; France 4,200; Continent 16,119; Japan 400; stock 816,943.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 189,895; Great Britain 40,377; France 68,855; Continent 111,177; Japan 400; Mexico 970.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 4,264,686; Great Britain 1,341,144; France 617,685; Continent 1,273,953; Japan 17,886; Mexico 8,775.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 14 1-4; net receipts 5,362; stock 104,933.

Augusta—Steady, 14 3-4; net receipts 1,740; stock 64,026.

Memphis—Steady, 14 5-8; net receipts 3,203; stock 195,214.

St. Louis—Quiet, 14 3-4; net receipts 1,701; stock 37,848.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 877; stock 7,404.

Little Rock Dull, 14 1-8; net receipts 1,572; stock 47,985.

Louisville—Firm, 14 7-8.

Total today—Net receipts 14,256; gross receipts 19,642; shipments 16,450; sales 6,555; stock 457,576.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 2.—Spot quiet, prices 10 points higher. American middling fair 8.14; good middling 7.90; middling 7.78; low middling 7.68; good ordinary 7.42; ordinary 7.11.

The sales of the day were 6,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and export and including 5,500 American. Receipts 21,000 bales including 20,700 American.

Futures opened steady and closed quiet.

December 7.56;	December and January 7.53 1-2;
January and February 7.59;	February and March 7.61;
March and April 7.63;	April and May 7.64 1-2;
May and June 7.66;	June and July 7.64 1-2;
July and August 7.62 1-2;	August and September 7.58 1-2;
September and October 6.92;	October and November 6.68;
November and December 6.62.	

DICK BROS. & CO., COTTON LETTER.

New York, Dec. 2.—Bullish tactics in Liverpool were partly responsible for considerable strength in the future markets this morning, but on the bulge the bulls seemed inclined to take profits. Another crop estimate was issued today this time by Mrs. B. J. Burch, who placed the crop at 10,868,000 bales exclusive of linters. This implies a commercial crop around 11,250,000 bales. Two weeks ago the estimate would have met with general favor but the trade at present is greatly impressed by the light receipts and the reports of light weight bales which are now coming in from every quarter. There is little demand from spinners at the moment but it is believed that buying will be more brisk if the government estimate foreshadows a short crop. DICK BROS. & CO.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 2.—The dry goods primary markets remain generally quiet. Cotton goods are held moderately steady, the only soft places being in gray goods. Jobbers are charging many goods. Retail trade is growing more active in holiday line.

THE STOCK MARKET.

New York, Dec. 2—Speculative attention was diverted from the main current of affairs in the stock market today in some by-channels having to do with special developments concerning railroad properties and their relations. The separation of the Rock Island and the St. Louis and San Francisco systems has given ground from the first for suppositions of readjustments to follow which might involve momentous consequences to the existing balance of relations and control amongst railroad properties.

Today's announcement that the Lehigh Valley of the coming entry into its directorate of the dominant powers in the Rock Island company afforded light on one direction which the readjustment was taking. The inference to be drawn from this proved so convincing, however, that a state of bewilderment was the most salient feature of the sentiment so far as it was disclosed by speculative operations in the market.

This confusion was increased because the new forces in Lehigh Valley were at some pains to disclaim any interest in Wabash railroad, which has been influenced for several days by an assumption that it was to come into the plans for the direction of Lehigh Valley. This idea was not entirely relinquished, in spite of the disclaimers, which lacked full official authority.

The reports of plans for extension of the Western Maryland re-organized property revived the conjectures of a possible completion of its linking with the Wabash-Pittsburg for the carrying out of the project for an ocean outset for the Gould system, supposed at one time to have abandoned. At the same time a wide field for surprise was offered by the possible recasting of relations to follow the acquisition of the St. Louis and San Francisco as an adjunct to the Hawley holdings.

From this was inferred a possible resale of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, lately acquired by the same rapidly growing power in the railroad world.

Considerable effect has been felt in connection with these developments and it is evidently feared that the consequence of the actual accomplishment would be reactionary. The market was affected, as well, by the reduction of demand for the short interest which was covered in the rise in prices yesterday.

The serious effects of the railroad switchmen's strike in the Northwest, and the fear of its spread had a depressing effect. There came a report from Washington that the National Banks holdings in railroad securities were to be scrutinized under the suggestion that speculative interest in the stock market, especially by the great New York banks, played too large a part in their conduct. The stock market element felt nervous over this suggestion.

Bonds were steady; total sales, par value, were $5,257,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales of stocks for the day were 573,800 shares.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 2.—Money on call strong 4 3-4 to 5 1-2 ruling rate 5, closing bid 5 1-4, offered at 5 1-2. Time loans rather soft and dull; sixty days 4 3-4 to 5 per cent., and ninety days 4 1-2 to 4 3-4 per cent. Six months 4 1-2 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1-2 per cent.; sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8410 to 4.8415 for sixty day bills and at 4.8780 for demand. Commercial bills 4.83 to 4.83 3-4. Bar silver 51 1-4. Mexican dollars 43.

N. Y. BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, registered	100
U. S. ref 2s coupon	100
U. S. 3s, reg	101 1-4
U. S. 3s, coupon	101 1-4
U. S. 4s, registered	114 3-4
U. S. 4s, coupon	116 1-4
Allis Chalmers 1st 5s	84 1-2
American Agricultural 5s	101 5-8
American Tel. & Tel. cv. 4s	104 1-4
American Tobacco 4s	77 3-4
American Tobacco 6s	105 1-2
Armour & Co. 4 1-2s	93 3-8
Atchison gen 4s	99 1-2
Atchison cv 4s	118 5-8
Atchison cv 5s	118 5-8
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	94 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	98 7-8
Baltimore & Ohio 3 1-2s	93
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. 3 1-2s	89 3-4
Brooklyn Transit cv 4s	86
Central of Georgia 5s	108
Central Leather 5s	98 1-2
Central R. R. of N. J. gen 5s	124 1-4
Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1-2s	103
Chesapeake & Ohio ref 5s	104 1-2
Chicago & Alton 3 1-2s	73 3-4
Chicago, B. & Q. joint 4s	95 7-8
Chicago, B. & Q. gen 4s	99 1-4
Chicago, Mil & St. P. gen 3 1-2s	89 1-4
Chicago, R. I. & P. R. R. col 4s	79
Chicago, R. I. & P. R. R. col 5s	102 1-4
Chicago, R. I. & P. Ry. rfg. 4s	90 3-4
Colorado Industrial 5s	83 1-2
Colorado Midland 4s	81 1-2
Col. & Southern ref & ext 4 1-2s	97 1-4
Delaware & Hudson cv 4s	101 7-8
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	96 5-8
Denver & Rio Grande ref 5s	93 1-2
Distillers 5s	74 3-4
Erie prior lien 4s	83 1-2
Erie Gen. 4s	75 1-2
Erie cv 4s series "A"	81 3-4
Erie cv. 4s series "B"	71 3-4
General Electric cv 5s	147
Illinois Central 1st ref. 4s	99
Interborough Met. 4 1-2s	83 1-4
Inter. Merc. Marine 4 1-2s	71
Japan 4s	87 1-8
Japan 4 1-2s	94
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73
Lake Shore deb. 4s (1931)	93 3-4
Louisville & Nash. Un. 4s	99 1-4
Missouri, Kan. & Texas 1st 4s	99 1-4
Mo., Kan. & Texas gen. 4 1-2	90 1-2
Missouri Pacific 4s	80 3-4
National Rys. of Mexico 4 1-2s	94
New York Central gen. 3 1-2s	90 3-4
New York Central deb. 4s	95 3-4
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford cv. 6s	135
Norfolk & Western 1st con. 4s	98 5-8
Norfolk & Western cv. 4s	99 1-4
Northern Pacific 4s	102 3-4
Northern Pacific 3s	72 3-4
Oregon Short Line rfdg 4s	94 1-4
Penn. cv 3 1-2s. (1915)	95 7-8
Penn. Con. 4s	104 3-8
Reading Gen. 4s	98 3-4
St. Louis & San Fran. fg 4s	85 1-4
St. Louis & San Fran. gen. 5s	89 1-4
St. Louis S'western con. 4s	78 3-4
St. Louis S'western 1st gold 4s	86
Seaboard Air Line 4s	81
Southern Pacific col. 4s	90 1-2
Southern Pacific cv 4s	102 1-8
Southern Pacific R. R. 1st ref 4s	94 1-2
Southern Railway 5s	109 3-4
Southern Railway gen 4s	80 1-2
Union Pacific 4s	102 1-2
Union Pacific cv 4s	114
Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	97 3-4
U. S. Rubber 6s	104
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	104 7-8
Virginia Carolina Chemical 5s	97 1-8
Wabash 1st 5s	111 1-2
Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	76
Western Md., 4s	84
Westinghouse Electric cv 5s	93 3-4
Wisconsin Central 4s	93 3-4

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers pfd	53 7-8
Amalgamated Copper	86 1-8
American Agricultural	46
American Beet Sugar	45 1-2
American Can pfd	83
American Car & Foundry	71
American Cotton Oil	66 3-4
American Hide & Leather pfd	44 1-2
American Ice Securities	36
American Linseed	14 1-4
American Locomotive	50 7-8
American Smelting & Ref'ng	96 3-4
American Smelting & Ref'ng pfd	110
American Sugar Refining	118 1-2
American Tel. & Tel.	140 3-4
American Tobacco, pfd	97 1-2
American Woolen	34
Anaconda Mining Co.	47 3-4
Atchison	118 1-2
Atchison pfd	104 1-8
Atlantic Coast Line	133
Baltimore & Ohio	114 7-8
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	91
Bethlehem Steel	33 1-2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	78
Canadian Pacific	177 7-8
Central Leather	45 3-4
Central Leather pfd	107 1-2
Central of New Jersey	310
Chesapeake & Ohio	83 5-8
Chicago & Alton	65
Chicago Great Western	18 3-4
Chicago & Northwestern	175 1-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	154
C., C. C. & St. Louis	75
Colorado Fuel & Iron	49 3-8
Colorado & Southern	56
Colorado & Southern 1st pfd	81
Colorado & Southern 2nd pfd	80 1-4
Consolidated Gas	147 5-8
Corn Products	21 5-8
Delaware & Hudson	181
Denver & Rio Grande	49 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	85 1-2
Distillers' Securities	36 3-8
Erie	33
Erie 1st pfd	47
Erie 2nd pfd	39
General Electric	160 1-2
Great Northern pfd	140 3-8
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	77 3-4
Illinois Central	145 1-2
Interborough Met	23 1-2
Interborough Met pfd	54 5-8
Inter Harvester	107
Inter Marine pfd	24 1-2
International Paper	14 1-2
International Pump	51 1-4
Iowa Central	27 3-4
Kansas City Southern	27
Kansas City Southern pfd	70 1-4
Louisville & Nashville	149
Minneapolis & St. Louis	51 1-2
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M.	133 1-8
Missouri Pacific	70 1-2
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	46 7-8
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd	73 1-2
National Biscuit	117
National Lead	87 1-4
Nat'l Rys. of Mexico 1st pfd	55
New York Central	126 1-4
New York, Ontario & Western	46
Norfolk & Western	93
North American	82 3-4
Northern Pacific	141 1-8
Pacific Mail	44
Pennsylvania	128 3-4
People's Gas	113
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	94
Pressed Steel Car	51 1-2
Pullman Palace Car	190
Railway Steel Spring	50
Reading	168 1-4
Republic Steel	45 1-2
Republic Steel pfd	105 1-2
Rock Island Co.	25 1-2
Rock Island Co. pfd	57 1-4
St. Louis San Fran. 2nd pfd	58 3-4
St. Louis Southwestern	33 7-8
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	75 1-2
Sloss Sheffield Steel and Iron	86
Southern Pacific	127 3-4
Southern Railway	30 7-8
Southern Railway pfd	66 3-4
Tennessee Copper	35 1-4
Texas & Pacific	34 5-8
Toledo, St. Louis & West	32 7-8
Toledo St. Louis & West. pfd	68 3-8
Union Pacific	198 3-8
Union Pacific pfd	101 1-2
United States Realty	81 1-4
United States Rubber	51
United States Steel	87
United States Steel pfd	123 1-2
Utah Copper	57 1-4
Virginia Carolina Chemical	47 1-4
Wabash	21
Wabash pfd	56 3-4
Western Maryland	45 1-2
Westinghouse Electric	83
Western Union	77 1-2
Wheeling & Lake Erie	8 1-4
Wisconsin Central	49
Standard Oil Co.	660

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 2.—Flour slow at unchanged prices.

Rye Flour—Quiet.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Easy; No. 2 western.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 1.25 nominal, domestic elevator; No. 2 red 1.24 1-2 nominal fob afloat. Options closed 1-8 to 7-8 net higher. December 1.15 5-8; May 1.25 1-8; July 1.04 7-8.

Corn—Easy; No. 2, 72 asked elevator, domestic; 72 1-2 nominal delivered; No. 2 6o 1-2 nominal fob afloat. Options closed 1-8 to 1 1-4 net lower. December 69 1-4; May 69 1-4.

Oats—Spot steady; mixed 26 to 32 lbs. nominal; natural white 26 to 32 lbs. 44 1-2 to 46; clipped white 34 to 42 lbs. 45 1-2 to 48 1-2. Options closed 1-8c net higher. May 47 5-8.

Pork—Steady.

Lard—Firm.

Tallow—Quiet.

Rice—Quiet.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3.83; refined steady.

Butter—Firm; state dairy, common to finest 25 to 32 1-2.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Weak state, Pennsylvania and nearby hennery brown and mixed fancy 38 to 40; do gathered brown fair to prime 30 to 37.

Potatoes—Steady; Jersey sweets per barrel 1.50 to 2.25.

Cabbages—Easy.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

Coffee—Futures closed quiet; net unchanged to 5 points lower; Spot quiet; Rio No. 7, 8 3-8 nominal; Santos No. 4, 8 3-4; mild quiet; Cordova 9 to 11 1-2.

The cotton seed oil market was quiet with sales of 5,600 barrels but prices were steadier at 3 to 9 points advance on small offerings and moderate buying and on the firmness in lard and cotton. December 6.78 to 6.81; January 6.89 to 6.90; March 6.98 to 7.00; May 7.07 to 7.09. Prime crude 5.85 to 6.00; prime yellow 6.77 to 6.85; prime winter yellow 7.00 to 7.35; prime summer white 7.05 to 7.40.

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Threatened spread of the switchmen's strike caused a stampede among shorts in the wheat market today and transformed a previously weak market into one of decided strength. At the close prices showed net gains for the day of 1-8 to 7-8. Corn closed steady, but oats and provisions were strong.

	Opening.	Highest.	Closing.
Wheat—			
Dec.	1 05 1-2	1 06 3-4	1 06 1-2
May	1 05 3-8	1 05 7-8	1 05 7-8
July	97 1-8	97 3-8	97 3-8
Corn—			
Dec.	58	58	58
May	61 3-8	61 3-8	61 3-8
July	60 7-8	60 7-8	60 3-4
Oats—			
Dec.	39 1-2	40 1-4	40 1-4
May	42 1-8	40 1-4	40 1-4
Mess Pork, per bbl.—			
Jan.	21 40	21 50	21 50
May	20 50	20 65	20 65
Lard, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	12 27 1-2	12 45	12 42 1-2
May	11 37 1-8	11 55	11 52 1-2
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	11 30	11 30	11 27 1-2
May	10 62 1-2	10 77 1-2	10 95

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 2.—Turpentine and rosin quiet.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 2.—Turpentine firm 52 1-2; sales 606; receipts 736; shipments 601. Rosin firm; sales 3,708; receipts 2,845; shipments 2,773; stock 131,602. Quote: A, B, C, and D, 3.82 1-2; E, 3.85; F, 3.85 to 3.90; G, 3.87 1-2 to 3.90; H, 4.15; I, 4.60; K, 5.60; M, 5.85; N, 6.10; WG, 6.25; WW, 6.75.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 2.—Turpentine quiet 53 1-2. Rosin firm. Quote A, B, C, 3.85; D, 3.85 to 3.87 1-2; E, 3.87 1-2 to 3.90; F, 3.87 1-2 to 3.90; G, 3.90 to 3.92 1-2; H, 4.15; I, 4.60; K, 5.60; M, 5.85; N, 6.10; WG, 6.25; WW, 6.75.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 2, 1909.

C. C. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 12 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—213 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 31 barrels rosin.

W. C. & A. Railroad—207 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 31 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar, 12 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—146 bales cotton, 17 casks spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar.

Str. Alice—3 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar, 62 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Black River—20 barrels tar.

Total—370 bales cotton, 22 casks spirits turpentine, 70 barrels rosin, 32 barrels tar, 73 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Monviso (It.) 2,522 tons, Revello, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Wm. Thomas Moore, 261 tons, Griffith, C. D. Maffitt.

Helvetia, 424 tons Bernet, C. D. Maffitt.

Millie R. Bonhannan, 570 tons, Little, C. D. Maffitt.

Lejok, 297 tons, Smith, C. D. Maffitt.

GOVERNMENT HAS PROOF.

Scales on Sugar Dock Tampered With. Witnesses Disappear.

New York, Dec. 2.—The Government encountered a check today in its prosecution of the American Sugar Refining Company when it developed that documentary evidence and many witnesses important to the government's case have disappeared. The missing documents were records kept by city weighers, and neither the documents nor the men who kept them could be found today by the government.

But, although tally sheets were missing, the government was able to introduce testimony showing that every scale on the Williamsburg docks of the company had been tampered with.

Conrad Holler, a carpenter, testified to cutting out a portion of the wooden stanchion of No. 1 scales. Through the hole thus cut the government contends, was operated the steel spring which manipulated the weights recorded on the beam.

Thomas D. Hyatt, a government weigher, was asked if he had inspected all sixteen scales on the docks of the company with Treasury Agent Parr.

"Yes," he answered, "and I found all the scales fixed the same way."

"With springs in them?" asked the judge.

"No, your Honor, but the holes were there just the same."

LEHIGH VALLEY DIRECTORS

Several Will be Selected From the Rock Island Company.

New York, Dec. 2.—Announcement was made at the offices of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company today that William H. Moore, Daniel, D. G. Reid and E. S. Moore, of the Rock Island Company, would be placed on the ticket for the election for directors to the Lehigh Valley Company which will be held at the annual meeting of stockholders on January 18th, 1910.

The announcement that the Rock Island interests would be placed on the Lehigh Valley board was no surprise to Wall street, where it had been known for some time that Mr. Moore and Mr. Reid had been heavy purchasers of the Lehigh Valley stock.

Coincident with the absorption of Lehigh Valley there have been numerous reports that the Rock Island Company would seek to connect the Lehigh Valley and the Rock Island companies by taking over the Wabash railroad. No confirmation of this report was obtainable today.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA

Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 7th—13th, 1909.

SPECIAL TRAIN VIA SEABOARD.

The Seaboard will operate special train from Raleigh and intermediate points to Wadesboro, afternoon of December 7th to accommodate Delegates from all points in Eastern Carolina, North of Raleigh, along the line of Southern Ry. between Raleigh and Goldsboro; Southern Railway West of Sanford, in order that they might reach Wadesboro early afternoon Tuesday, December 7th, before Convention convenes that night.

Special Train Will be Operated on Following Schedule.

Lv Raleigh	1:30 P. M.
Cary	1:48 P. M.
Apex	1:59 P. M.
Moncure	2:33 P. M.
Sanford	3:01 P. M.
Cameron	3:28 P. M.
Aberdeen	4:15 P. M.
Ar Wadesboro	6:00 P. M.

This will give connection from all directions into Raleigh, Apex, Moncure, Sanford, Southern Pines and Aberdeen. Will wait at Sanford for Southern Ry No. 130 from Greensboro.

The round trip rates to Wadesboro account this occasion is based on 80 per cent. of the double one-way local fares; tickets will be sold December 6th-7th and 8th, with final return limit December 16th.

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Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 21, 1909.

Dear Friends: It may seem a broad statement to you, but it's a well known fact that there is hardly more than One person in a thousand who does not need some form of Dental attention—maybe nothing more than a thorough brushing by a reliable Dentist, but in most cases, a filling, replacing a lost tooth by Bridgework, or possibly an entire set. This is a personal letter to you, calling your attention to one of the most important duties you owe to yourself, your family and your friends.

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Our Crown, Bridge and Plate Department is The Best that it can be made. Others will tell you that we don't do as we advertise—all we ask is that you come and see—you will be convinced that we are doing as we advertise every day just the same. Come in and talk it over with us and let's see just what you need, and what it will cost. Then we will advise you just as we think best—this will cost you nothing, and we will be glad to see you whether you give us the work or not.

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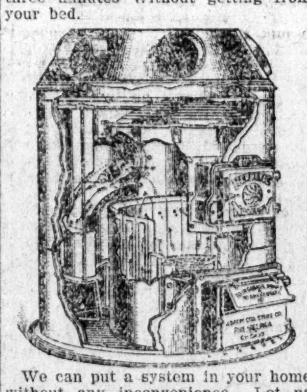

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NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Cornelia Mallett, deceased, late of the county of New Hanover, this is to notify all persons having claims to exhibit them to the undersigned at 403 Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C., on or before the 12th day of November, 1910, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

JOSEPH W. LITTLE,
Public Administrator.

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We are opening up and placing on display the largest and best assorted stock of Toys in North Carolina.

On all Toys, either Wholesale or Retail, we can save you 25 per cent., for in buying this immense stock we were given the lowest possible prices, and as we sell for CASH, our prices will be lower than the lowest.

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We have on display a lot of Salesman's Samples in "Dresden" and "Carlsbad" Fancy Hand Painted China, and as there are no two pieces alike, we are selling it for half the market price.

To our immense stock of Dress Goods 50 pcs. of the newest things in striped Serges and Whipcords for Coat Suits.

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The "Baby-Waker" Sale

is still going. Large crowds and liberal buying are the features. The low prices published in the large advertisements are still holding good.

New arrivals of rugs, pictures, imported dinner sets, tables, hampers, clothes baskets and several other articles have been added this week. Positively no such values ever seen in Wilmington. Call and inspect them if you wish to buy or not. We are pleased to show goods and invite comparison. This sale, as all our sales, is bona fide. No bluff, no hot air. Unequaled values our motto.

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THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 3, 1909.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Wednesday, Dec 2nd:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 35 degrees; 8 P. M. 52 degrees; maximum 59 degrees; minimum 35 degrees; mean 47 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month, .00 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Wednesday 2.2 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Local rains Friday; Saturday partly cloudy; variable winds.

Port Colendar—Dec. 3.

Sun Rises.....7:01 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:03 P. M.
Day's Length.....10 hrs. 7 min.
High water at Southport 12:50 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 3:50 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Crystal Palace—Programme.

American National Bank—Four Per Cent.

Ramos Typewriter Co.—New Remington.

Atlantic Trust & Banking Co.—Persistence Counts.

Business Locals.

For Rent—Rooms.

Wanted—$10,000 on Loan.

Farris' Bakery—Fireworks.

J. W. Jones & Co.—Florida Oranges.

Ministering Circle—Christmas Sale.

THE "LEPER" RETURNS.

Early Goes Back to Washington and is Locked Up.

Washington, Dec. 2.—John R. Early, the "leper" who threw scientists of two continents into a dispute, ventured to show himself in Washington again today and was promptly clapped into quarantine. Early made no effort to escape arrest. In fact, he admitted he came to Washington prepared to attempt to make things lively for the district authorities if they locked him up. When the health department got out a warrant for his arrest, charging him with being a person with a contagious disease, who was exposing himself, he arranged with a newspaper man to go to a police station and be locked up.

Early arrived in Washington last night and went to the Salvation Army Hotel where he registered in a bold hand. This morning he started out to let the health department know he was in town.

The night watchman at the quarantine station where Early spent the first few months of his isolation her, rubbed his eyes in amazement when he saw the "leper" dressed like a prosperous business man. Early greeted him pleasantly, chatted a while and went up town to the municipal building. There he met many who did not recognize him as the famous patient who made the trip from Washington to New York in a box car. He strolled around town until 3 o'clock when a newspaper man told him a health officer with a warrant was on the trail. Then he went to a police station and waited.

Dr. W. C. Fowler, the chief of the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, met Early there and the police captain read the warrant to the "leper."

Early, with rosy cheeks, showing not a scar nor a blemish, held out his hand to Dr. Fowler.

"How are you, Mr. Early?" said the doctor pleasantly and the two shook hands. The police captain shivered.

"Well, let's get to the business," said the doctor. "I've got to lock you up and if you wish it, we will arrange to have you examined by the best experts. If they find you are not now suffering from leprosy we will let you go."

"I'd rather wait until I hear from my counsel," Early replied. "I expect they will be here tomorrow."

Dr. Fowler ordered Early's removal to the quarantine station and tomorrow the little six room house where Early occupied before will be opened to him.

Early said he had been living quietly with his wife and children on his farm at Manchester, Va. He has some back pension coming to him from the war department and while he said he came to Washington to see about getting the money, he intimated that he came prepared to fight the authorities if they attempted to restrict his movements about the city.

The Early Family.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 2.—Application tonight at the home of Mr. James Inman, about eight miles from Manchester, where Early, the alleged leper is said to have been staying, was met by the occupants with a statement to the effect that Mrs Early is not there now, nor are her children, and that neither Mrs. Early nor Mr. Early has been there, nor have the children been there, at any time heretofore, and that the whereabouts of Mrs. Early and her children are not known. The dwellers in the house, indeed professed absolute ignorance regarding the Early family generally.

GENERAL ADAMS PASSES.

Well Known South Carolinian Died Yesterday in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 2.—While on a visit to this city from his home at Charleston, S. C., Brigadier General Henry M. Adams, U. S. A., retired, died yesterday morning. He was identified for a number of years with the engineer corps of the army. He was born in Massachusetts.

The tenth annual sale of thoroughbreds in Lexington, Ky., closed yesterday. During the three days of the sale 436 head of horses were disposed of, bringing an average of $220. Yesterday's sales totalled 139 horses which brought $25,750.

A Policeman's Testimony.

J. N. Patterson, night policeman of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last Winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." Robt. R. Bellamy.

THE "NEAR-BEER" DECISION

Discussed With Much Interest by the Supreme Court—Some of the Points Ruled Upon by the Judges—Not Prohibitory

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 2.—Special interest attaches to the ruling of the Supreme Court just delivered that Charlotte's ordinance imposing a license tax of $1,000 on "near-beer" saloons is valid. The opinion was written by Associate Justice Brown.

The court holds that authority to levy a license tax on "near-beer" is plainly conferred on Charlotte by Sections 80 and 82 of the city charter. Discussing the situation the court says:

"'Near-beer' is now a recognized article of commerce and the sale of it appears to be an established business in those States which have adopted general prohibition laws. It includes all malt liquors which are not in the purview of the general prohibition law."

The court holds that it is a distinct business, which from its very nature admits of strict regulation, under the general police power of the State through it municipalities, and that it stands legitimately in a different class from the business of selling soda water and the like.

As to discrimination the court holds that it is a well established rule that a tax that is uniform cannot discriminate. After discussing at length the law as to whether the Charlotte ordinance is unreasonable and prohibitory, the court declares that in fixing the proper license tax upon dealers in "near-beer" and kindred drinks, it includes upon reason and precedent that the municipal authorities may consider the question, both from a standpoint of revenue and police regulation, and the cost thereof provided they do not thereby prohibit and annihilate the business entirely. Territory and population must be considered. It is worth a great deal more, the court says, to conduct a business of this kind in a large city like Charlotte than in a small town, and a license tax that would be in the bounds of reason in Charlotte would be considered prohibitive in the smaller towns. Furthermore the matter of police surveillance may enter into consideration as well as the propriety of reducing the number of these saloons in order that this surveillance may be more effective and less costly.

The court declares that the evidence in the case shows that although "near-beer" is non intoxicating when properly made, its sale furnishes extraordinary opportunity for violation of the prohibition law through the substitution of real beer. The court declares that while these facts confer no power on municipalities to destroy or prohibit the business, they make it their unbounded duty to regulate and supervise it. The very possibilities which the business gives for palming off real beer and other intoxicating and prohibited drinks, places it properly under the guardianship and control of the police.

It is set forth in the opinion that at the time of the passage of the ordinance there were three exclusive "near-beer" saloons in Charlotte and 70 other places where the drink was extensively sold and that it appeared that these places were general headquarters for the vagrant element; that a great majority of the people who frequent them were idle and immoral; that they require police supervision to keep order, and the chief of police of the city estimated that two policemen would be required for each of these places to maintain order; also that the defendant himself admitted that some of these places were engaged in the illicit sale of real beer. "Giving the ordinance the benefit of a presumption of reasonableness, we conclude that there are no facts contained in the record sufficient to overcome this presumption," says the court, "and we are confirmed in this conclusion by a statement made in the argument and not denied that there are now two "near-beer" saloons in Charlotte doing business in conformity to the ordinance.

The concluding paragraph of the opinion declares that the ordinance is in no way a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Federal constitution, but wholly within the scope of the exercise of the police power of the State exercised through the municipality.

VIOLATED COMMERCE LAWS.

Indictments Against Three Railroads And American Tobacco Co.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 2.—The special grand jury which has been sitting in the Federal court to investigate alleged violations of the inter-State commerce law today returned indictments against the Louisville & Nashville and the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis railroads and the American Tobacca Company for rebating.

Eight indictments aggregating 42 counts were returned against the former road.

One enactment of 25 counts was returned against the American Tobacco Company.

The indictments were returned jointly against the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis and Lucien Irwin, now president of the road, but at the time of the alleged offenses, the general freight agent and traffic manager.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

John Heydler Mentioned for Presidency—Meeting Next Week.

Cincinnati, Dec. 2.—President August Hermann, of the Cincinnati Nationals, said today that he would go to New York next Wednesday to "get on the ground early."

"Barney Dreyfuss has written me that he intends to arrive in New York about that time", said Hermann, "so I have arranged to strike New York to meet him then. And we will remain there till the meeting so as to be ready for anything that comes up."

President Hermann is more friendly toward John Heydler than any other mentioned for the National League presidency. He denies the stories published in other cities that he and Charles W. Murphy would spring President O'Brien, of the American Association, as a dark horse.

LUTHERAN SEMINARY.

Action on Selection of Location Again Postponed.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 2.—The question of the removal of the Lutheran Theological Seminary from Mt. Pleasant, S. C., has been left open until the commission which spent yesterday in this city has had time to visit Salisbury and make an inspection of the sites in that city.

The urgent demands of the Salisbury people caused the commission to postpone final hearing until December 16th in Salisbury. That town is in the center of a large body of Lutheran churches there being 22 in Rowan county, and the town has made several very good offers, including $10,000 in cash, while Columbia offered more than $14,000. All of the cities seeking the seminary have offered sites for the buidings.

After hearing the Charlotte, Salisbury, and Columbia delegations yesterday, and after spending the afternoon inspecting the sites about Charlotte, the commission returned to St. Mark's Lutheran church and resumed their sittings, and after a debate of three hours to re open the question of removing the seminary, it having been previously decided that the same should be at Charleston, or at Mt. Pleasant near that city.

The situation is still undecided and it is impossible to state when the commission will be ready with a final recommendation to the United Synod of the Lutheran church—perhaps not before the meeting of that body in 1910.

INDIANA TELEPHONE WAR.

Promoter Stifel Charged With Attempting to Betray Independents.

Indianapolis, Dec. 2.—The new long distance telephone company of Indiana today filed in the county court an answer charging Herman C. Stifel, of St. Louis and New York, with attempting to betray the Indiana independent system to the Continental Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The answer is to an application by Stifel, who is a director of the Indiana company for a court order permitting him to examine the books of the company. Access to the books he asserts has been denied to him.

In the answer the attorneys for the company allege that Stifel is one of the promoters of the Continental Telegraph and Telephone Company which is being capitalized at more than $10,000,000, which company proposes to enter into competition with the defendant company in the telephone business and it is to further the interests of said Continental Company and other hostile companies and aggregations that he desires to have the books, records, papers and correspondence of this defendant company and copies as aforesaid.

James Brailey and his associates are the principal owners of the Indiana company and are resisting Stifel.

BAIL FOR ABE RUEF.

Fixed Yesterday at $300,000 for Former Political Leader.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Judge Cabaniss ordered today the release from custody of Abraham Ruef on $300,000 bail.

This action followed a report of three physicians appointed by the court to examine the physical condition of the former political leader. Ruef had been confined in the county jail since November 13th of last year, his previous bail having been declared forfeited on the day Prosecutor Francis J. Heney was shot in the court room.

Ruef is under sentence of 14 years in the State prison for "having bribed a supervisor to vote for a trolley franchise for the United Railroads."

"HOG KILLING TIME."

Farmers in Nash and Edgecomb Busy This Week.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 2.—Cold weather of the past several days has given the farmers of Nash and Edgecomb an excellent opportunity for the killing of hogs, while the hominy, which plays its part in the diet of this section of Carolina, has already been cared for. Farmers in all sections of the two counties have been at the task of killing meat for the past week and the "freshiest time," as it is known on the farm, is being greatly enjoyed by the rural residents.

BANTAM WEIGHT FIGHT.

Monte Attell and Dannie Webster Will Meet in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—A fight has been arranged between Monte Attell and Dannie Webster to take place the middle of this month, 50 per cent. of the proceeds to go to Johnny Murphy, a former aspirant for light-weight honors, who is reported to be dying of tuberculosis at Honolulu. The match will be for the bantam weight championship of the world and the men will weigh in at 116 pounds. They will fight 20 rounds, Jack Welch acting as referee.

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NEUCES STILL ON ROCKS.

Cargo is Being Loaded on Schooners —Is Mallory Liner.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 2.—At 9 o'clock tonight the steamer Neuces was still on the rocks according to a wireless message received here. The Lampassas has left but a government tug and revenue cutter is assisting her. The cargo is being lightered to Key West.

The revenue cutter is the Forward and the tug Luckenbach of Jacksonville. During the afternoon coal was taken from the bunkers of the Neuces and thrown overboard. The cargo is being loaded on schooners, three arriving during the afternoon and received cargoes. Three more are expected to arrive during the night to take the remainder of the cargo.

At 11 o'clock the wireless operator on the Neuces reported that it is expected to get the ship off with high tide at daybreak.

PIERCE PERJURY CHARGE.

Texas Case That is Exciting Interest in State.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 2.—For ten hours today attorneys for the defense argued that under the laws of Texas, Henry Clay Pierce was immune from prosecution under the charge of false swearing and at the adjourning hour tonight every indication pointed to the fact that all of tomorrow would be consumed in further discussion of the proposition of whether or not a woman notary has the legal right to recognize an affidavit.

The affidavit that Pierce is charged with having sworn to and on which he was indicted by a grand jury in Travis county, was acknowledged before Miss Nagle in the Secretary of State's office. It is now claimed that this recognition was not in any particular lawful.

MAY DISSOLVE PARLIAMENT.

King Edward Accepts Invitation of the Government.

London, Dec. 2.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that the government had advised King Edward to dissolve Parliament and that his Majesty had accepted the invitation. The premier added that if the Liberals were returned to power the first act of the government would be the re-enactment of all the taxes for which provision was made in the budget rejected by the House of Lords.

'FRISCO RAILROAD OFFICERS.

Were Elected Yesterday to Assume Charge of the New System.

New York, Dec. 2.—The directors of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Company held a meeting today and has elected the following new officials for the road:: C. R. Gray, James Campbell, C. W. Hilliard and W. B. Biddle, vice presidents; W. C. Nixon, vice president and general manager; A. Dauglas, vice president and general auditor, and A. S. Greig, vice president and purchasing agent.

SUSTAINS ANTI-BETTING LAW.

Action of Supreme Court in San Francisco—Brown In Custody.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—The State Supreme Court sustained today the validity of the Walker-Otis Anti-Betting Law when it refused to issue a writ of habeas corpus for the discharge of Charles Brown, who was arrested November 22nd at the Emeryville race track for accepting a bet.

The Walker-Otis measure passed at the last session of the Legislture is almost identical with the New York laws.

REPUBLICANS TO RICHMOND.

Believed That State Headquarters Will be Moved Soon.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 2.—Application for a charter is soon to be made by the Republican Club of Richmond, which proposes, it is said, the erection of a $50,000 club building in this city, with the idea, it is further stated, of thus establishing social headquarters for its party in Virginia, and the expectation that transfer of party political headquarters from Roanoke to Richmond will probably follow.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

THE MINISTERING Circle of the King's Daughter will have their Christmas sale at the residence of Mrs. P. L. Bridgers, corner of Third and Dock streets from 3 to 6 o'clock Friday afternoon. All kinds of fancy articles will be on sale. Pickles and mince meat also. The public cordially invited. de 3 1t

FOR SALE—Florida oranges 20 cents a dozen, good apples 40 cents a peck, fine Irish potatoes 80 cents a bushel. J. W. Jones & Co., 215 Market street. de2 1t*

WANTED—By January 1st 1910, $10,000 at six per cent. on five-year loan, interest to be paid each year. Secured by first mortgage on property worth twice this amount. D. M. Dew, Latta, S. C. de 3 1t

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LITTLE WILLIE HONESTY has put me wise, so I will put you likewise. Have you noticed the difference in the Wilmington, N. C., market on hides, raw furs, tallow, beeswax and wool since the little office at 212 Market street, has been buying these goods. You go or ship them once and you will go and ship again; if honest dealings are appreciated. We handle all kinds of country produce to good advantage also. C. D. Gilbert & Bro., 212 Market street, Wilmington, N. C. oc 24 tf

SHIP ME your eggs, poultry, hams, hides, beeswax and any kind of produce. Will pay highest market prices and make prompt returns. N. C. hams a specialty. C. B. Bellois, 16 North Second street. 'Phone 1376. oc 31 tf

SULTANA OLIVE OIL—Mr. Vafiadi, the Sultana agent here, has arranged to have this oil distributed in the future by Hall's drug store, Fifth and Castle. Pints 50c. Quarts $1.00. Phone orders filled promptly. no 4 tf

PHOTOGRAPHS — Enlargements, copying, framing, viewing and fine photographic work of every description. At the U. C. Ellis Studio. no 18 tf

"TO THE SHAVING PUBLIC"—If you appreciate cleanliness and workmanship you will give The Orton sanitary barber shop a trial. no 24 1m

QUIAL ON TOAST, Lynnhaven Bay Oysters and all other delicacies of the season with the usual substantials that go to make up a first class bill of fare at any cafe. The Junction Restaurant, "Just at the Corner," convenient to all trains, suburban line, etc. Open day and night. Sundays too. no 30 tf

WANTED—Reliable man as commissary manager. Address Tilghman Lumber Co., Sellers, S. C. no 28 6t

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WOOD—Try our Split Pine, for stoves, heaters and open fires, $1.00 per load, cash, delivered. Our kiln dried blocks for kindling and for quick, hot fires cannot be beat, $1.00 per load, cash, delivered. Hilton Lumber Co., Phone 321. de 1 3t

NOTARY PUBLIC—Public stenographer. Expert work of any kind, anywhere, any time. Meares Harriss, 114 Princess street. 'Phone 708. au 4 su we fri tf

WANTED—Good ad and job man for temporary work during holidays; one with some knowledge of machine composition preferred though this is not essential. Address Foreman, Morning Star Composing Room. de 1 3t

THE GAS COMPANY sells them—the Vulcan Odorless Gas Heater. Just the thing for the bed room, bath room or hall. de 1 1w.

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WHEN YOU GIVE your girl a diamond ring that is your business; selling diamonds, watches and jewelery that is Uncle Charley's business. Call at 108 Market street. no 19 tf

ANY TIME THIS WEEK you can subscribe for stock in the People's Building and Loan Association. New series opens Saturday, December 4th. Don't neglect this opportunity but 'phone the secretary number of shares you wish reserved. Shares cost 25c and are worth $100 at maturity. In six years you will own your home if you buy it through the People's Association. Don't forget the date, December 4th. Office 206 Princess street. Phone 1220. For particulars see the men. Directors: Wm. F. Robertson, president; Geo. H. Heyer, vice president; Woodus Kellum, attorney; D. R. Foster, secretary and treasurer; J. A. Springer, J. W. H. Fuchs, A. H. Harriss, T. R. Orrell, Owen Martindale, Robert Scott, E. P. H. Strunck, D. McEachern, W. L. Burkheimer, E. P. Bailey, A. Alligood. no 28 tf

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79 Pails Fancy Peanut Candy.
21 Barrels Stick Candy.
86 Boxes Stick Candy.
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17 Large Cheese.
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